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VARIOUS TOPICS.

THE NATIONAL CONVENTION—THE ORATOR AT THE UNVEILING—DON'T GIVE UP, MR. TARSON—PROF. BELL'S "THEORY."

EDITOR JOURNAL:—In your recent editorial, you took occasion to postpone the meeting of the National Deaf-Mute Association, basing your action upon the report of the Executive Committee, which stated the fact that the statue of the first Gallaudet could not be completed in time for unveiling at the convention on the date originally agreed upon by the Association. Of course, the President of the Association had no legal right to take such a course, and it was boldly done upon his own responsibility. Now, upon general principles, I am opposed to such a dictatorial policy upon the part of one man, as it would lead to dangerous abuses, as was the case with the New England Gallaudet Association, a few years ago, when the convention was put off on two consecutive occasions. I have forgotten the exact causes, which led to this action on the part of the president of the New England Gallaudet Association, but that it caused general dissatisfaction and a revolt by the deaf-mutes of Maine was very evident, and it would not do to repeat the experiment.

The reasons for the postponement of the National Convention are, however, a sufficient justification, as to hold a meeting in Washington without the statue would be like playing Hamlet without Hamlet, and it would kill the business entirely. It remains for the Association to ratify or disapprove the president's action at the next meeting, and that is all there is to it. None could object to the postponement, and it will be ratified, except perhaps by a few irreconcilables.

There has been some fault found with the actions of the Executive Committee on various occasions. Now, the fault lies with the Association, as in the absence of a constitution and by-laws, defining the duties of each officer, who is to lay down the law to them? That the Executive Committee have sometimes encroached upon the prerogatives of the President, assuming powers which should belong only to him, is true, but it was done from lack of rules governing their conduct.

Such a well-taught, clear-headed man as Theo. Froehlich, the chairman of the Executive Committee, would be incapable of going beyond his powers, were these powers well defined. We have already been too long without a constitution, and there is a confusion in our midst. The next convention should not be allowed to adjourn without adopting one. I, for one, should like to be informed what my duties as corresponding secretary are. The recording secretary does all the corresponding, and I am never called upon to do anything. Neither Mr. Fox nor myself has any rules to guide us, at present, and we want to know where we stand.

The choice of an orator for the next convention again brings the question before us. Who is to choose the orator? There are no rules in our Association for that. As some eminent lawyer has said, an assemblage of people without a constitution or by-laws is not an organized body but a *mob;* the Association is an empty name. The president has commendably taken the responsibility upon himself of naming the orator, but he left the appointment to the Executive Committee. That is no doubt the proper thing; still, I am of opinion that it is the president's prerogative to appoint the speakers. How is it with the New England Gallaudet Association and Empire State Association? If I am not mistaken, the president of the New England Gallaudet Associa-tion has the appointing power bya ndwith the approval of the Board of Officers.

The suggestion of Prof. McGregor as *our orator* (let this phrase be emphasized to the confusion of toadies, who "bend the suppliant hinges of the knee that thrift may follow fawning") meets with my cordial approval. No better choice could have been made if you had desired a representative of our intelligence, our capabilities and our progressive tendencies. He is quick in his sympathies, with a superb contempt for snobs and snobbery, a generous, whole-souled man, a ready-witted speaker, and a good sign-maker. He will do for us, upon the greatest occasion in the history of the Association. He is none of your turn-up-noses who sneer at their fellows as "clannish," "half-educated," and poor in spirit as well as in purse. Therefore, I am for him heart and soul. There are a few other well-educated deaf-mutes like him, with a hand as open as his and a heart as large as his, and Prof. Hotchkiss of the College is one of them. A scholar, a quiet, unostentatious gentleman, with no ridiculons notions of "I am better than than you" about him. He is a true friend to the deaf to the core, and had not Prof. McGregor been named first, he would have been my choice for *our orator.*

The editor of the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL has been so kind as to mention my name upon the list of "deaf orators." For the honor, much thanks. As to my special fitness for it, I have my doubts; but the editor asks half a question as to whether I am to be regarded as a representative of New England or of Utah, or in other words a Mormon. I will enlighten you upon that point. I pulled up the stakes in Boston four years ago and planted them in Utah, though, it is true, I had a notion of pulling them up again when I had "made my pile," but I have since changed my mind, and I am in love not with Mormondon, but with the wild climate and boundless resources of Utah. You may call me a citizen of Utah, a citzen of the far west, which has begun to win recogniton from the great political parties, as witness its reception at St. Louis and Chicago. A citizen of Utah is not necessarily a Mormon nor a Ute Indian, though both are indigenous to the soil. This reminds me of a little scene, the other day. Mrs. Archibald, the daughter of Prof. DeMotte, the former principal of the Wisconsin, Indiana and other Institutions, has come to Salt Lake City as a mission teacher among the benighted Mormons, and she did us the honor to pay our Institute a visit. She was curious, intensely curious, about our position, about which nobody else in Utah has any doubt, and without as much as saying "I beg your pardon," she asked Mrs. White, "Are you a Mormon?" To this question, Mrs. White, however, was equal, and replied, Yankee-like, by a counter-question, "Are you?" Mrs. Archibald, very much taken aback, replied with a shocked look, "Me a Mormon! Oh, no." Mrs. White quietly said, "Neither am I." Mrs. Archibald was floored.

There is one thing to which I would like to call the attention of my deaf brethren in the East. There is a palatial exposition car filled with specimens of the natural resources of Utah in boundless array, going the rounds of eastern cities. It has "done" Chicago, and will soon be in New York City and Boston. Due notice of its arrival will be given in the daily papers of those cities. People are invited free of charge to inspect this exhibit and learn what our Territory is capable of producing. This is done with a view of inviting capital to develop onr resources, of gold, silver, iron, copper, coal, antimony, sulphur, salt, etc., etc. This Institute has a glass jar filled with two varieties of ripe cherries, picked on June 5th last, and another filled with the myriad flowers that bloom around our Institute, on exhibition in that car. The fact is that our resources are only partially developed, and we want eastern capital to help us establish factories, foundries, mills, etc. The territory, notably Salt Lake City, is entering upon an era of good will and prosperity, such as would never have been dreamt of a few years ago. Mormons and Gentiles have buried the hatchet, adjusted their differences, and are now pulling together as one man for the advancement of the Territory. Capitalists, tourists and health seekers are pouring into the Territory by hundreds, attracted by rumors of immense undeveloped wealth in the soil and rocks. None who came has ever been disappointed, for there never was a prettier city, enbowered in foliage, with such a rich, abundant yield of fruit, cereals and vegetables, and millions of natural wealth in plain sight. The old, staid citizens, both Mormons and Gentiles, dreaded the coming of this boom, as these staid conservative spirits said it boded no good to the Territory. They favor the establishment of manufactories, and have contributed liberally in land and money to the establishment of new industries so as to give employment to all. These "mossbacks," as the more progressive element call them, have, however, been pushed to the wall by enterprising newcomers, capitalists and real-estate dealers from abroad. It infuses new blood into the Territory, and polygamy is doomed from this day forth. It is never preached nowadays in the Tabernacle or ward meeting-house, much less practised. The younger generation of Mormons and Gentiles are eagerly pushing each other in the race for wealth. Eli Perkins, who has been here on a visit, humorously said that Harper's *Bazar* is doing much to put polygamy out of favor, or in other words, millinery which costs a great deal to paterfamilias makes it impossible for a man to keep, feed and clothe, more than one wife and a dozen daughters. The remarkable change of feeling between all classes here has been due in no small degree to the influence of Governor West, who had promised President Cleveland that he would do all that lay within his power to regenerate this fair Territory, and he has faithfully kept his word. He resisted the impatient clamors of the bitterest enemies of the Mormon people and pursued a middle course, accordingly equal rights and equal justice to all. When the formation of a non-partisan Chamber of Commerce was prosposed, it met with such bitter opposition from the radical wing of the Gentile party, that those who wished well to the Territory were intimidated. Gov. West boldly leaped into the breach, waving the banner of peace and good-will toward all men. The result was magical. Both Gentiles and Mormons joined the Chamber, and to-day there does not exist a harmonious body of men working together for the common good. All religions, all political discussions, are not allowed within the Chamber. This success gave impulse to an election of a mixed City Council, composed of Gentiles and Mormons, which was never known or heard of before, and the last legislature wisely appointed a mixed Board of Regents for the University, so as to give it a non-partisan, non-religious character. The Gentiles on the Board are some of the heaviest tax-payers of the Territory, all energetic, progressive men of business, so the University now has assumed a mere public character and bids fair to grow in popular estimation as time goes on. It is said on all sides that the boom in Los Angeles is dying out from want of manufactories, as climate alone will not do, but as Prof. Thomas Widd says it still lives, we are bound to believe him. He has done remarkably well in the land of booms, as he has made over $25,000 from a capital of $2,500, all made in real estate within three years of his arrival on the golden coast. There may not be work enough in Los Angeles for laborers and artisans, but there is certainly plenty of it for the real estate agents.

Work on the new Institute building has not been begun yet, but bids are out for proposals for incandescent lighting, both of the University and Deaf-Mute Institute. The Institute is comfortably situated where it is, and there is no occasion for hurry. Three of the pupils, young men, are working on the University building at $1.50 and $1.75 per day, and boarding themselves at the Institute. A much larger attendance than ever before is expected in the Fall, and the prospects of obtaining another teacher are good. In the last number of the *American Annals* of the Deaf, Prof. Larson wrote that he feared he would be obliged to close the New Mexico School for the Deaf from want of funds to carry it on, as the majority of the pupils come from Catholic families, and the priests would give him no encouragement or assistance. I would say to Mr. Larson—Don't! Don't give up yet; try another tack. Go to the archbishop or principal dignitary of the Roman Catholic Church and enlist his sympathy or influence. Call on the priests wherever they are, and lay the case frankly before them. Tell them that all you desire is to give the neglected deaf-mutes in New Mexico a common school education, and assure them that you do not propose to teach any particular doctrines or tenets of religion, but will leave religious instruction to the parents or friends of the pupils, and that you would only teach the principles which underlie all good conduct and good citizenship, and no more. If the priests have no objection, you could teach Bible history, and confine yourself to that. Then see the Governor and other influential men, and tell them clearly what you wish to do. The people must be educated up to the needs of the Deaf, and the ultimate benefits of their education. I do not believe you had a harder row to hoe than we did in Utah, among a people intensely religious and more exclusive if possible than the Catholics, but working in good faith with all parties, the Mormons have come to regard the Institute, even though taught by Gentiles, as a strictly non-sectarian school. where no religion is discussed, and even the Catholic priests who have been taken into our confidence are good friends to the school. Prof. Dudley, of the Colorado Institution, has had a difficulty with the priests, which threatened to "swamp" the Institution and destroy it usefulness, but came to a compromise by which the Catholic pupils are allowed to be taken out to service or communion in the city churches by their friends or the priests in person. The Ontario Institution at Bellville, Canada, adopted a means of conciliating all religious parties by inviting each of the priests or clergymen of the different churches in the Province, to "hold forth" on Sundays in the chapel of the Institution, the Principal interpreting for them. While this is a doubtful policy, as it takes the right of religious lectures away from the principal and teachers, it is no doubt a safe and efficient means of making the Institution of a non-sectarian character. Such a system, however, would not be tolerated in free American Institutions.

Dr. Fay, in the *Annals*, has proved beyond a question of doubt that the primary cause of hereditary deafness does not lie in the intermarriage of the deaf-mutes, but in blood-relationship among parents or ancestors. Prof. Fay has made this very plain, with Prof. Bell's own statistics, and I could wish that he had carried these deductions to their legitimate conclusion, which would have overthrown Prof. Bell's unfounded theories; but he chooses to "sit astraddle the fence," and while trying to view the situation from both sides, he "damns Prof. Bell's views with faint praise." Prof. Bell, while posing as the friend and benefactor of the deaf, yet has done the class incalculable injury by disseminating false theories concerning the heredity of deafness. He has been aiming to prove to the world that deafness, *per ipse*, is as much a hereditary disease as is consumption and kindred diseases. God save us from such friends! "Our friend, the enemy," knows as well as we do that there is no danger of hereditary deafness among those who have been made deaf by adventitious causes, such as sickness, blows on the head, concussion of the brain, paralysis of the auditory nerve, etc., indeed, by Prof. Bell's own statistics as Prof. Fay pointed out, there have been more deaf children born to mixed couples,—*i.e.*, couples of which one party is deaf and the other hearing, than among the class of adventitious deaf. There is reason to suppose that Prof. Bell himself was convinced that consanguineous marriages were the direct or indirect cause of hereditary deafness in the majority of cases, for among the people of Cape Cod, much intermarrying has been and is still indulged in, and the Mayhew, Smith and Chisholm families are related to each other by blood. Indeed, I can remember an instance where a Mayhew and a Chisholm who were pupils at the Hartford Institution in my time were first cousins. But Prof. Bell was constrained, out of regard for his wife's relatives, from hinting at such a view. His wife is descended from the Gardiner and Greene families, which had intermarried as long as at the beginning of the War for Independence, and had kept it up ever since. Mrs. Bell's deafness was undoubtedly caused by consanguinity in her family and Prof. Bell's own children narrowly escaped the same fate. Isn't there a hereditary tendency in this? I have heard from good authority that one of Prof. Bell's children is actually a deaf-mute. Prof. Bell dares not advocate the theory which stands forth unmistakably through his own statistics. To state a fact to the undiscerning public that deafness has in it the germs of a disease which are transmitted, without regard to previous circumstances, from father and mother to their children, or to their children's children, is to erect a Chinese wall between our hearing children and the rest of the world. In the light of this false theory, we would be looked upon with pity, and our hearing children would be shunned in marriage by other people's children, and nothing that we could say to prove that deafness is not necessarily hereditary, but that heredity is confined to blood-relationship in a ridiculously small number of cases, would avail us against this *dictum* of one man, who has gained the reputation of being a greater philsopher than he really is. If Prof. Fay will not attempt to prove Prof Bell's theories to be wrong, as he can with Prof. Bell's own figures, as far as the general effects of deafness are concerned, then some one else must. Perhaps Prof. Williams, of Hartford, with his keen, analytical mind, and eloquent pen, will take up the cudgel in defense of the deaf, who have no other friends able and willing to cope with this unfeeling giant, who has contrived to delude the public concerning the true causes of hereditary deafness. Any champion, who will fight Prof. Bell on his own grounds and vanquish him, will earn the everlasting gratitude of the deaf-mutes, and a monument for which Prof. Bell will sigh in vain, will be erected to his memory. H. C. W.

EASTON, PA.

The following is the official announcement of our forthcoming excursion:

The fast, safe, and commodious steamer "Clio" has been specially engaged for a moonlight excursion on Wednesday evening, August 25th, leaving Flint's wharf, foot of South Second St., at 6:30 P.M., *prompt*, sailing via. the Delaware and the canal to Phillipsburg, Carpentersville and Reigelsville, where a landing will be made, thence returning to Easton and up the Lehigh to Glendar and return—giving five hours sail by moonlight. Tickets (round trip) 35 cents.

Alex. L. Pach, *Chairman*,
Elam Will, Cornelius Delory.

Deaf-mutes from neighboring towns can make the trip and return to their homes, via late trains on the L. V., N. J. C., M. & E., L. & S., Pennsylvania, P. & R., and Del. Lack. & W. R. R. There are now only thirty vacant places on the boat, all the rest having been engaged by members, and their friend applicants for tickets, should secure them by mail, enclosing amount for tickets required, which will be sent free of postage. The Chairman's address is 220 North Third Street.

The Easton Society has been increased by two new members, Miss Moses and Mr. King, both recently of the Philadelphia Institution.

Messrs. Sanders, and Barton, of the class of '92, N. D. M. C., passed through Easton on their way from Washington to Haverhill, Mass., via special "equine express"—their drive, which is a very pleasant one, will last about fifteen days. They remained in town for a few hours, and called on the JOURNAL's representative.

Mr. Lincoln Smith, a crayon artist, who travels, is now in town, a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Price. He attended the society meeting and was very much pleased with what he saw and heard.

The lecture schedule for the fall course is as follows:

Sept. 20th,—Mr. John F. O'Brien, New York.
Oct. 18th,—Rev. J. M. Kohler, Reading, Pa.
Nov. 15th,—Prof. T. F. Fox, New York.
Dec. 20th,—Prof. Weston Jenkins, Trenton, N. J.

The society does not hold Mr. O'Brien to blame for its recent fiasco, but merely gave the explanation to show that the society was not to blame, but when an intimate friend of a lecturer writes to the papers and goes so far as to announce the subject, it is to be taken for granted that he intended coming.

Miss Sue McKinney, of Philadelphia, arrived at the Will mansion today, to remain the entire summer.

HYPO.

Rockford Items.

Miss Carrie Bischoff, of Terra Haute, Ind., was in town all winter and spring on a visit.

Mrs. W. A. Winslow has been confined to her bed with sickness since last May. After she received a visit from her husband on Decroation Day she has been much better.

On the 30th of May, Mr. Dexter Garrett, of this town, made a call of several days on Miss Louisa Haley. He reports having a good time.

Mr. W. A. Winslow left Batavia on Saturday morning for Elgin, Ill., and made calls on Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gosselin, Mr. and Mrs. Strohoker, Mr. Offerle and Miss McFarland. They all work in the Elgin Watch factory, except Mr. Strohoker, who works in the harness shop.

On the 12th of April last, Mr. Strohoker was married to Miss Bolton. They moved from Naperville to Elgin, a short time ago.

Miss Louisa Haley expects to get a good situation at the Rockford Shoe Factory this month.

Mrs. Mamie Ichupp has left the Rockford Knitting Factory and gone to Maywood. At present she is in Elgin on a visit.

RUBY.

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FANWOOD.

How it is During Vacation.

THE "GLORIOUS FOURTH."

Other Comments.

(*From our Fanwood Correspondent.*)

The first two weeks of vacation has already passed. Overhauling, repairing and cleaning is already proceeded with. It takes the place of the dullness consequent upon the sudden absence of so many pupils and teachers and entails a large amount of labor to those who have the task before them. Superintendent Brainerd and Steward Crittenden direct the work in a way capable only to those of long experience.

All the teachers have gone to their various places to rest their weary brains and to quiet their nerves—some to the sea shore, some to the mountains and some to rural retreats.

Matron Henry is taking a respite of one month in Pine View, Va., and has for her company Little Miss Zettel. Her substitute is Miss Mary Montgomery.

The Housekeeper, Miss McCready, has gone for a month's rest in Pennsylvania, and Miss Brown is attending to her duties.

Dr. Peet is still on the Heights, and will not go off until he has righted up his business affairs. Prof. Fox is helping him and will remain at the Prospect House on Washington Heights until late in August, when he will attend the Reunion of the Empire State Association in Rochester.

Miss Ida Montgomery is staying for a couple of weeks with Dr. Peet's family, after which she contemplates going to Nantucket, to inhale the salt breezes so favorable to her health.

Miss Jane T. Meigs spends the greater part of the summer months at various places — principally in Harlem, and will occasionally be up to the Institution to look after the flowers of which she is very fond and nourishes with great care.

Miss Ensign, as usual, spends the summer in Philadelphia and thereabouts.

Equinunk, Pa., the region of rattlesnakes, is, as heretofore, the favorite place for Miss Myra L. Barrager.

Walter B. Peet will not go away until the completion of a dog kennel which he is constructing on the premises adjoining to that of the Institution. He is being aided by Joseph Glosque.

Both Prof. Jones and Mr. C. Q. Mann do not expect to go any where in particular. The former will attend to his domestic affairs, with occasional trips to the neighboring water resorts, and the later will look after this cherished garden and do some experimenting work with his camera.

Prof. Bishop and wife sail for Europe on July 19th. Fair France is their main visiting place.

Madame Le Prince, we presume, will look after the art exhibit of the Institution now placed on exhibition in this city, and will doubtless content herself at Glen Cottage with its attractive and inviting surroundings.

Miss Frankie C. Hawkins is now in Oswego, and may find herself enjoying the enchanting scenery of the Thousand Islands and probably a part of Canada, before the summer is out.

Miss Georgie Decker is at present taking a rest in Montgomery, N. Y., after which she expects to visit Mrs. Shattuck, in Cohocton, N. Y.

Mr. Gilbert Gamage has decided upon another trip across the dark blue Atlantic about the 21st., and Willie H. Rose will accompany him.

Clerk Greenleaf started for an extensive tour of the United States as soon as school closed. He expects to go beyond Omaha, Neb., and calculated that, upon his return, he would have traveled four thousand miles.

As to the other officers, they will be relieved by a fresh force who are now recuperating and taking in a good share of nature's restorer.

Last week we did not have space enough to chronicle the record made by the winners in the Prize type-setting race. F. W. Baars set 2,845 ems; P. Mitchell, 2,537; R. Tweed, 2,451. The average time consumed in correcting was eight minutes. It eclipses all previous records. The time occupied was two hours—the copy was MSS.

Geo. H. Peet, son of the Principal, will try to pass an examination in Albany, this summer, in order to be admitted to the Bar. After that, he will vacate at Richfield Springs and various places in the country.

THE FOURTH

was celebrated at the Institution by the pupils who remain here during vacation through necessity, or as helps, in the jolliest way they knew how. The larger boys were given twenty cents each, and the smaller ones half that amount, by Superintendent Brainerd, wherewith to purchase firecrackers and fireworks of various kinds. The elder ones put their money together for a grand pyrotechnical display in the evening. This patriotism was chiefly noticeable in the persons of Peter Mitchell, Richard Tweed, and Martin Glynn, who help make up the printing office force this summer. F. H. King ably assisted them.

There were any number of Roman candles, flower-pots, etc., etc. Their last act was to fire off an immense firecracker that gave a terrific explosion. All the boys and girls and the officers of the school witnessed the performance with considerable interest.

Ranald Douglas, of Photographic fame, has been doing this vicinity for some time. He says that the negative of the excursionists he took at Cold Spring Grove, is a success, and that persons desiring copies of same, may leave their orders with George S. Porter, at the JOURNAL office, who has also for sale different views of the Institution.

Prof. W. G. Jones' birthday present to his wife on her natal day last Sunday, was a bouncing baby girl. It was born at eight o'clock in the morning.

We received a visit from Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Taylor, and daughter Minnie, last Sunday. They were accompanied by a lady friend.

Miss Agnes Cochen, accompanied by her little daughter Beatrice, visited the printing office last week.

Mr. Fox, the manager of the Silentia nine, requests the players to hold themselves in readinees to play at Perth Amboy, N. J., July 21st.

AQUILA.

From the Gallaudet Home.

Independent day being a legal holiday throughout this broad land, the inmates spent its fleeting hours as best, they liked. Old Sol knowing it to be a day of natural celebration, was determined not to hide himself behind dense clouds to spoil the enthusastic merriment of any one. The Union flag waved proudly from its pole on the grassy lawn, to show that within the Gallaudet Home there are as true and loyal children of Uncle Sam, as any where else. After breakfast, the household assembled in the chapel, where Rev. Mr. Colt offered morning prayer.

Later in the day, some of the men went on foot a distance of three miles to the village to participate in the patriotic occasions, while at home, and busied themselves in various ways. As soon as it was dark enough, the family gathered together on the chapel piazza to witness the brilliant display of fireworks kindly furnished by Manager Thomson. The Gardner folks joined our little party, and taking all things into consideration, we had an enioyable fourth of July.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Daves, of Milton, N. Y., visited their old schoolmates and friends here on Sunday last month.

Several members of the ladies' committee, went on a tour of inspection over the building, and were well satisfied with present excellent management.

John Cahill, who left the home two weeks ago, has obtained work in New York City. He is strong, well built, and able to earn his living.

Editor Hodgson and Mrs. Hodgson and their little daughter Beatrice, enjoyed all delightful visit here not long since.

At the close of morning service on Sunday, the 1st inst., Mrs. Ross and Mrs. E. M. Colt partook of the holy communion with us. In the afternoon, Rev. Mr. Colt baptized Benjamin Friday in the chapel. Benjamin has gone to Albany to make his dear mother a short visit.

Thursday morning last, several visitors were conducted over the house by Matron Ross.

Mrs. E. S. Kipp returned from a month's sojourn in New York City, one evening last week, and reports having had a very nice time.

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THE following is taken from the London *Daily News*, of June 23d:

The evidence given by Professor Graham Bell before the Royal Commission on the Education of the Blind, the Deaf, and the Dumb, has, we understand, created a profound impression on the minds of the Commissioners. Professor Bell, who is more widely known as the inventor of the telephone, has devoted himself to the collection of statistics bearing upon and illustrating cases of congenital and acquired deafness. His evidence, not yet completed, apprehends the possibility of a deaf variety of the human race as a consequence of the steadily increasing tendency to intermarriage between deaf-mute persons. Mr. Bell strongly advocates the training of the deaf as well as possible, in ordinary language, and in association with the ordinary population in schools and family life, rather than in institutions.

It does not seem fair that the public should be prejudiced by statistics which Prof. Bell acknowledges to be incomplete, and which have been time and again asserted to be inaccurate as well as unconvincing. The theory of hereditary deafness can be traced to consanguineous marriages and the offspring of them, more often and with greater importance in the line of heredity than in the case of deaf-mute intermarriages. Why Prof. Bell should ignore the many arguments that have been advanced in opposition to his theory, and keep right on in pursuit of his hobby without modification of his views or reference to those who have contested them, is something we can not quite comprehend in a man who professes to be actuated entirely by humane motives. Now that serious results are likely to follow an acceptance of Professor Bell's theory, the time has arrived for those great educators and friends of the deaf to either verify or disprove it. To sit on the fence and allow him to solve the problem to his own satisfaction, and accept the solution without further verification than his conclusions, is equivalent to deserting the interests which they are pledged to protect. "Gurney," in the JOURNAL a few months ago, showed that the relative increase of deafness in this country was not so great as in Germany, where the system of teaching which Prof. Bell advocates is most in vogue, has been most thoroughly tested, and is now being modified so as to more nearly resemble the system pursued in the education of American deaf children.

IT would be hypocritical to say that the death of William A. Bond was a calamity to the deaf of this country, though his removal will be felt by those who take an interest in public affairs relating to deaf-mutes. In all matters concerning the deaf, Mr. Bond never omitted to say something, and in public discussions he ever plunged boldly into the breach, holding forth views which might be termed peculiar and misdirected, but which nobody could well say were insincere. He lived a hard life, and seemed to have the faculty of making enemies of those who might have been his friends. And he died as he had lived! Without a hand to soothe his dying moments, he passed to the presence of the Great Judge who knows the motives which inspired his every action. No one who knew him will deny that he possessed an intrepid spirit, an indomitable energy, and a steadfast adherence to any opinion which he formed. Of his failings we will say nothing. "*De mortuis nil nisi bonum!*" That he possessed many virtues, and was endowed with a capacity to sway his fellows, we are well assured. Now that he has ended a life of trouble and hardship, when we say *Resquiescat in pace!* all who have known him will add, Amen.

ALTHOUGH every column of the JOURNAL is filled with deaf-mute news, we have been reluctantly compelled to postpone the publication of nearly ten columns of news until next week.

William A. Bond Dead.

On Thursday night, July 5th, William A. Bond passed to his eternal home. At what hour he died no one can say. About nine o'clock in the evening he complained of difficulty in breathing, but as he had often been troubled in the same way for the past few months nothing immediately serious was apprehended. His family, consisting of his wife and three children, retired to rest, while Mr. Bond reclined on a sofa in another room. All slept soundly, and in the morning, the little ten-year-old daughter was surprised to see her father lying on the floor. She touched him to see if he were asleep, then noticing something strange in his appearance, shook him more forcibly, when the terrible fact dawned on her that her father was dead. How long he had lain there is a matter of conjecture, it being believed that he had been dead at least four hours before it was known.

William A. Bond was born in Brooklyn, on May 29th, 1855, almost within a stone's throw from where he died, and was therefore 33 years and five weeks old at the time of his death. At the age of ten years, he became deaf from scarlet fever. He was sent to the New York Institution, but did not remain until his term expired, leaving school to learn the art of printing. For over twelve years he has worked on Brooklyn newspapers, with an interval of two or three years, when he was employed as copyist in a law office in New York. At the time of his death, he was a member of the Typographical Union, by whom he and his family were supported when sickness obliged him to relinquish his "case." The Union also paid the funeral expenses, and the pall-bearers were selected from the "chapel" wherein the deceased had worked.

During his life, Mr. Bond was a frequent contributor to the daily papers in New York and Brooklyn, but he is best known through the defunct *Deaf-Mute Leader*, which he conducted for seven years. He was a man of peculiar views, and his fondness for public notoriety led him into discussions which were at least unprofitable and caused him no small amount of trouble. In his home life he was a good husband and father, and had none of what are called social vices—indulgence in liquor, use of tobacco, etc.—in fact, at home his character was an almost complete contradiction of his public life. His life-long friend, Thomas Godfrey, who stood by him in his darkest as well as his most prosperous hours, lingered around his cold clay, and did not leave it until the coffin had been placed in the family burial plot. He with the members of the family, comprised the the mourners whose grief was touching and sincere.

Rev. Mr. Chamberlain officiated at the funeral, which took place on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock.

His family are left almost penniless, and it would be a handsome thing for the deaf-mutes of this city and Brooklyn to combine and give some sort of an entertainment and present the proceeds to the sorrowing widow.

The N. E. G. A. Convention.

MR. EDITOR:—The Board of Direction of the New England Gallaudet Association having decided upon holding their Sixteenth Convention at Bellows Falls, Vt., August 19, 20 and 21, and I having been chosen Committee of Arrangements to co-operate with State Manager and Social Committee J. T. Keefe, I therefore give notice that the deaf-mutes will assemble in the Baptist Church in the forenoon to hear a sermon from the Pastor, which Dr. G. O. Fay will kindly interpret for the deaf. In the afternoon, there will be combined meeting under the lead of Mr. William Bailey at a place not yet decided upon, and in the evening, a discourse upon the Origin and Growth of Deaf-Mute Instruction will be given in the Congregational Church. There may also be given a pantomime exhibition.

The people of Bellows Falls, being so much interested in the deaf and dumb, have extended to all a hearty welcome to visit the place. And it is worth being visited for the picturesque scenery of the mountains, and only eight miles from the place there is Fairy Dell, and any one enamored may go there, and become fairies or be metamorphosed into fairies.

Hotel rates are reduced to $1.50 a day, and good board at that price, the best that can be found. One dollar and fifty cents to mutes only. All should register at Town's Hotel, which is connected with Union Hall, where the convention is to be held.

Efforts are being made for excursion rates on all the Rail Road from Boston and New York to Bellows Falls.

A couple of weeks will decide about excursion rates. Something more to say, when arrangements are perfected.

WM. H. WEEKS, *President.*
New England Gallaudet Association.

NOTICE.

The deaf-mute residents of New Haven, Bridgeport and vicinity are earnestly asked to attend services on Sunday, July 15th, as follows: In the Bible class room at St. Paul's Church, New Haven, at half past ten o'clock. In St. Paul's Parish House, Bridgeport, at half past seven o'clock.

LOST.

On the boat "Long Branch," at the recent deaf-mute excursion, a black satin parosol, with white lining and lace trimming. Information will be thankfully received by Mrs. Hendrick, 339 W. 32d Street, New York City.

Our Dayton Letter.

SILENT WEDDING—THE GLORIOUS FOURTH—A SURPRISE PARTY—PERSONAL AND OTHER POINTS.

The twenty-seventh of June, 1888, was a gala day among the silent Daytonians, the occasion being set for the marriage between Mr. Joseph Himelspaugh, formerly of near Cleveland, O., but now of this city, and Miss Ella B. Morgan, of this city. After sending out invitation cards, nearly every mute resident of Dayton showed up at the ceremony with the exception of three or four, though they were invited to attend, the scribe being one of them. Among those present from abroad was Mr. Frank Wilson, of near Xenia. The scribe were not able to know the proceedings, the next day the Dayton Daily *Democrat* chronicled about the novel wedding, and here it is:

"Probably one of the most novel marriages that occurred in this city for a long time was that of Joseph Himelspaugh and Miss Ella B. Morgan, youngest daughter of David Morgan, which took place last evening at the residence of Mr. Morgan, 344 East Richard Street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. W. Mann, of Gambier, O., and was very impressive. All the ceremony was performed in the sign-language, as neither bride, groom nor minister could speak a word. There were fifty people present, and when the hour came for the wedding, two children bearing bouquets came into the room first, followed closely by the bride-elect and groom. They met the minister in the parlor, and he went through the usual preliminaries in the sign-language, taking a Bible from his pocket and using it occasionally as reference was made to it. The groom produced a ring and when it was properly blessed it was placed upon the bride's finger.

"The ceremony was very solemn and took up as much time as the ordinary ceremony. There were probably forty or fifty mutes present, and judging from the expression of their faces they considered the wedding a solemn affair. After the ceremony was over, the two children with the bouquets kissed the bride, and gave bride and groom each a bouquet. The parents of the bride then went forward and kissed her and congratulated the groom. Then near relatives and others extended their congratulations. Not a word was spoken until supper was announced. As there were quite a large number of presents sent in for the bride, it was thought best not to let her see them until after supper. Accordingly a bounteous repast was served to the fifty persons present, and after that the presents were exhibited."

The happy couple, after the ceremony, took the train at midnight for his home near Cleveland. Both were educated under Supt. Fay at Columbus, Ohio. After a week of wedding trip, they arrived here the night before the Fourth, and will reside with the bride's parents for a while. The groom has a good position with the Bimm Ice Company, where Mr. John H. Bimm is employed. The latter is a nephew to the proprietor of the company. His wife is sister to Mr. Himelspaugh.

THE GLORIOUS FOURTH.

"The day we celebrate" passed very quietly, and it was celebrated in different ways by the silent Daytonians. Though no arrangements were specially made for the Fourth, a majority of our town mutes went to the Soldiers' Home in the afternoon.

The scribe met several Dayton mutes there. He had the pleasure to form the acquaintance of Miss Eva Hecter, a young and pretty mute girl, who is visiting her relatives in this town, accompanied by her mother. Her home is in North Manchester, Ind., and she is a pupil at the Indiana School. She will go there two years more. She is to stay in Ohio until the latter part of this month, when she returns home.

The silent people who were at the Home on the Fourth, enjoyed themselves as best as they could. In the evening many of them went to the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John Bimm, East Monument avenue, to witness the fireworks, started and contributed to by the young silent bloods. So far as learned, no local mute was out of town on the Fourth. No accident was occurred to any of them.

BRIEFS AND PERSONALITIES.

Miss Carrie Baker, of Piqua, was in town on the Fourth.

Miss Lizzie Roop is visiting her relatives and friends in this town.

One of of the Dayton dailies has a reporter, who is deaf as a post.

Ed. I. Holycross, of Marshal street, spend a week in Columbus recently.

Mr. John S. Leib, of the Columbus Daily *Times* was in town recently to see his old chum, Ed. I. Holycross.

The Dayton Mute Society is closed until the first Saturday in September on account of hot weather.

Jackson Bates, of Columbus, or Washington, C. H., or any place he claims to be from, is in town looking up for some work. He spent the Fourth, and is said to be very happy to have seen the Soldiers' Home and the battle Gettsburg.

The school for mutes at Columbus closed on June 19th for vacation. The vacation closes on September 19th. Every one who went to school this year came home brighter and wiser. All will go back to school except one—John Walz, of Brown street, whose time for school has expired.

Dandy Bice is no longer a visitor to Wengerlawn. For particulars, ask him.

Mrs. James H. Smith, of Quitman Street, is home in Brown County, near the Ohio River, on a pretty long visit—to avoid the heated term in town. Mr. Smith is getting along without her as best as he can.

The Dayton *Herald* of last Friday, says that "Miss Mary Wagenitz, of Henry street, is livelier and happier since her return from school. She will enter the sixth year next September. She has passed her two examinations very successfully, and hence she is happy and lively. She expresses her determination to pass every examination while at school. Her good parents take great pride in her."

The same paper continues:

"Miss Carrie Lingle, another Dayton bright mute girl, is home on Main street, near Washington, from school. She has shown wonderful improvement in talking and writing. She is only twelve years old and has been at school only three years. She had a nice and pretty surprise birthday party last Monday evening, July 2d, given by her beloved parents. About forty couples were present, only six mutes being there. All kinds of amusements were indulged in until midnight, when ice cream, cakes, etc., were served. Before 1 o'clock all the participants departed for their homes with many wishes for her success in another year of school life."

Mr. James Steele, of Jackson County, this State, is and has been visiting his relatives in this city. He expressed his desire to live in the Gem City before long. He left school in Columbus twenty-three years ago, but he has never been there since.

Miss Edith Biggam, of Canton, O., who graduated with honor last June, at Columbus, will be the guest of Miss Carrie Lingle and Miss Mary Wagenitz next August.

Miss Carrie Lingle, with her mother, will spend this summer in visiting relatives and friends at Piqua, Greenville and Union City, Ind., and probably Cincinnati.

Mrs. Etta Stebelton, of Lima, a former Dayton girl, is the guest of her mother on Corwin street, accompanied by her baby girl. Many Dayton people are glad to see her again.

Miss Minnie Lytle is enjoying herself as best as she can at her home in this town with her parents. She is learning oil-painting, and is a good artist. She quit school at Columbus about three or four years ago, on account of her health.

Many of the Dayton mutes will go to Cincinnati on August 18th, to see the Centennial Exposition and the annual picnic.

The *Herald* recently said: "Mr. Rob McGregor, who was born and raised here, and who is now a teacher at the asylum, after the close of school took a canoe, provided with everything, and accompanied by his mute friend with his canoe, went to Newark, O., and will continue their trip to Zanesville, Marietta and Cincinnati, all on the canal, Muskingum river and the Ohio river. They will arrive in Cincinnati on August 18th, in time to witness the annual picnic given by the Cincinnati Deaf Mute Literary Society. They will paddle their canoes from Cincinnati to Dayton and then pack them up and go to Columbus by rail."

A queer incident was told the other day. While on her eastward way on one of our principal streets an old mute lady, whose name is withdrawn for good reasons, noticed a group of five mutes on a street-corner in wild talking. She went directly to one of the group, all being strangers to her, and asked him if he was deaf and dumb. In a graceful manner, he said "Yes." She next asked him if he was married. This confused him greatly, he being a bachelor thirty-nine years old, and in a reply, he said he was single. Before finishing his reply, the lady at once told him that she was single too. Both took a walk down the street, and no one knows what is the result.

OLD SPORT.

DAYTON, O., July 7, 1888.

Louisville, Ky.

An enjoyable tea party was given, in honor of Miss Sophia Marlmann, by Mrs. Harris, mother of Freddy, on the 23d inst. Those present were Mrs. M. Cately, Robert Hartmann. Maxy Marcosson, A. S. Johnston, Vaughn Neville, and the others.

Miss Marlmann is an intelligent and charming lady. She has been teaching a class at the deaf and dumb institution for a year. At the close of the school, she came to this city, being the guest of Mrs. Neville, and will perhaps stay for some days, and then go to Cincinnati, O.

John Werner came home with a weather-beaten face. It was found that he has been playing baseball at school for some months. We think he would make a good pitcher.

Frank Christmann, supervisor of the boys at the Kentucky Institution, took charge of some boys on their way to Paducah and other towns some weeks ago. He has been here for a few days, returning last week, to assist Prof. Argo during the latter's absence. It is thought that Prof. Argo betook himself to Colorado, to get his health again.

About fifty-five deaf-mutes assembled in St. Paul's Church, to hear Rev. Job Turner preach last Sunday. He delivered an excellent and impressive sermon. At the close of prayer, he said he would hold the service again on Sunday, September 9th. He left the same night for Staunton, Va., to officiate.

Among the deaf-mutes, was Mr. P. J. Hasenstab, a teacher at the Illinois Institution. He has many friends here, who were glad to see him again. He is spending all the time, during his vacation, at his home.

Amos Gadbury, a collar-stuffer, was brutally assaulted by some unknown men on Seventh Street, near Market Street, last Wednesday evening, and beaten about the head and body. When the shop closed, he came out and walked with Geo. Lesser. They were stopped by the men, who asked them if they were going to quit working. The former said he would not quit, and when he commenced to write on his pad, the men took that advantage and immediately struck him on the head, eye and nose, and his jaw, which was broken. Geo. Lesser, seeing the assault, defended his friend, and knocked one of the men down, but had his nose bruised and swollen. Amos Gadbury was conveyed to the City Hospital. We heard that his eye-lid was so badly swollen that he could hardly see. His injuries seem very serious. His assailants have not been arrested.

One day, one of the deaf-mute ladies and her friend went to a photograph gallery to have themselves taken. During the photographic operation, a fly happened to alight on the former's nose and tickled her. She tried to get rid of it by puffing it, but in vain. When the picture was finished. she said, 'Oh, the ugliest expression on a picture I ever saw."

ROMEO.

A WEDDING.

ED. JOURNAL:—Last Wednesday evening, June 27th, there was a very pleasant gathering of invited guests to witness the marriage of Miss Jennie Richter to Mr. Edward McKerahan at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. Geo. O. Starr, in East Seventy-seventh Street. The bride was the centre of attraction to all present, being dressed in pure white satin with golden embroidery. Indeed she looked more like an angel than a human being. The bridegroom was also very tastefully dressed in a black Prince Albert suit, which was a very pleasing contrast to the bride angelic colors. The marriage ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Chamberlain, and was very solemn and impressive. After the ceremony, every one present extended their congratulations to the now happy couple who responded in a very graceful manner.

Refreshments were now served to the assemblage, and after chatting for an hour or two those present departed wishing the happy couple long life, prosperity and the good wishes of all. Those present were Lillie Davenport and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Sweeney, Louis Morris and sister, Mrs. Martling, Gussie Schmidt, Susie Richter, the sister of the bride, James W. Stratton, Fred. L. Peak, Ernest Balsam, August Neiser and Wilbur D. Stilwell.

SHOE LASTER.

NEW YORK, July 1, 1888.

WORCESTER, MASS.

On the fourth of July, quite a large number of mutes were invited to spend the day at the day at the residences and Grove of Messrs. John Trask and D. B. Howe in Auburn, four miles from Worcester. Their residences are beautifully located, commanding a view of beautiful scenery. We enjoying the hospitality of Messrs. Trask and Howe. Mr. Howe wore an old stove-pipe hat, about 100 years old, worn by Mrs. Howe's grandfather. It is kept by her father as a relic.

Before our departure from Auburn for home, our thanks were voted for their kind hospitality.

Mrs. J. E. Livingston and daughter went to Springfield, on a visit to her relatives and friends, and spent there the fourth of July. They got home last Friday afternoon. They say, they enjoyed their visits with the exception of the hot weather.

Mr. W. H. Green was advised to go to Springfield on the 23d of last month. He surprised the mutes and staid there over Sunday. He enjoyed his visit in Springfield, and he said he never was there before. He came back to Worcester next day. Now he contemplates going down to Maine on a long vacation, on account of the shutting of the mills where he has been employed for the past many years.

Many friends of Mr. S. F. Weeeler will be surprised to hear that he was married to Miss Lucy Hughes on the 8th inst., in this city. His wife was educated in Nova Scotia, and has been employed in Worcester for the past two or three years as a seamstress.

Mrs. Benjamin Clough and her daughter, of Natick, Mass., have been in Worcester, as guests of Mrs. E. W. Denny. Miss Laura Clough invited all of us to come to Natick to spend the day at a lawn party next August. She will let us know what day. We fondly hope to enjoy the kind hospitality of the Clough folks.

Mr. J. E. Livingston says that he has been at work all the time, and has had no leisure time to rest, except on holidays. He tried several times to be excused from work for a vacation, but he could not spared.

I am very sorry to say that no mutes in Worcester will go to Bellows Falls, to attend the convention, on Sunday. It is not a legal day for a convention. I saw a notice in the JOURNAL written by George Sawyer in regard to "Nemo's" suggestion of the convention, as it was inconvenient to commence on Sunday. I admit I fully agree with the opinion of "Nemo," and also many of the other mutes say that they candidly agree with "Nemo's" article.

REPORTER.

Daniel Minihan, a member of the Brooklyn Society and Miss Eva Betz are to be married within a few weeks.

Nathan Ballin, brother of Albert Ballin, the deaf-mute artist, died on Tuesday morning, at the residence of his parents in Hoboken, N. J. The deceased was a very clever business man, and although not thirty years old, was senior partner in a large lithographing business. His family have our sincere sympathy in their misfortune.

Prof. E. McK. Goodwin, a native of Raleigh, who is now teaching in the Council Bluff (Iowa) Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, is in Raleigh on a visit to relatives. The *Chronicle* is glad to know that Prof. Goodwin has been promoted to the teacher of the highest form in the Institution, which ranks with the first Deaf and Dumb Institutions in the country. Prof. Goodwin has engagements to teach in North Carolina this summer in the Normal schools at Wilson and Sparta.—*Raleigh (N. C.) Chronicle*

FROM WINCHENDON, MASS.

The Fourth at the place above mentioned, was the occasion of the most notable celebration that it has ever had. Processions, both civic and comical, and others were the features of the day. The writer being not there that forenoon could not tell about them. Like other private residences, Mr. G. A. Converse's, a well known deaf-mute, was tastefully decorated with patriotic emblems and trimmed with colored ornamentations.

Among those assembled were noticed Messrs. J. T. Keefe, of Bellows Falls, Vt., and John Young, of Keene, N. H., (if the writer is not mistaken,) formerly of Boston. According to an invitation, they stopped to dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Converse. Misses Lafferty, of Lowell, and Hathaway, of Peterboro, N. H., and Mr. and Mrs. Davis, of Winchendon, were there. Miss Lafferty came here the previous Saturday to spend a week with Mr. and Mrs. Converse. The writer was sorry for not seeing Mr. Keefe, for he was classmate of his.

In the afternoon, trains brought several deaf-mutes from different parts of the country, and it helped swell the number till it reached fourteen. They were Miss Boynton, of Athol, Mass., also a classmate of the writer, Messrs. Oscar Evans, of Winchendon, (who just returned from his journey,) C. A. Wilson, of Peterboro, and W. E. White, of Bennington. They were hospitably entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Converse, who urgently requested them to tea, to which they did justice. Mr. W. E. White convulsed them with laughter by telling funny college incidents (for he was a former student at Washington) at the table. Of course, he being the last one to finish his tea, one of them said, as he was the last one, he would have to draw cider for himself.

In the mean time, some reflected over school days happily gone by, others talking politics, and so on.

In the evening, they had a very good view of a display of fireworks on the square, which, fortunately, was near by, from the piazza. Mr. Converse lighted every window with candles, and he hung three Chinese lanterns, which danced in the air. They enjoyed seeing the display. Immediately after the display, they dispersed for their homes, reporting having good times, not without leaving their best wishes for the host and hostess. Mr. White stopped over night with Mr. Wilson. Next day, he got back, pleased with his trip.

Mrs. W. E. White, of Bennington, N. H., paid a visit her mute sister Sophia, who works in a hosiery mill in Franklin Falls, for three days. Sophia gets good wages, her work being by the job. Mrs. White returned the day after the 4th, reporting a good time. She saw Misses Flora Noyes and Marshall.

The two following clipping, are from the Antrim (N. H.) *Reporter*, in the Bennington column:

"There are a man and a woman in town that have never spoken to each other for two years."

"In the last issue, a man and a woman were reported not to have spoken to each other. They do "speak on their fingers." The old saying goes—"the fingers speaketh and eyes heareth."

A Silver Wedding.

A silver wedding anniversary was celebrated at Mr. and Mrs. Lynde's residence, on June 25th, and was a private reception. The pleasant parlors were brilliantly lighted and thronged by friends, who warmly congratulated the estimable couple. They seemed to be enjoying good health, and were surrounded by their full-grown, fine looking children (four) who entertained their friends in the best style. Ice-cream and cakes were served, and every one seemed as bright as a gold dollar. Mr. Lynde was presented with a valuable leather arm-chair from his boss, and Mrs. Lynde, an elegant patent-rocker from her children, a porcelain fruit dish from her lady friend, a dish with pretty red glass pitcher and tumblers from her cousin, a silver pickle-castor from another friend, and two elegantly framed pictures from the Boston mute friends, which were highly appreciated. Among those were present Mr. George A. Holmes, J. T. Tillinghast, Mrs. Barnard, Miss Flagg, Mrs. Holmes, and Miss Flo Lynde, the daughter, from Waterbury, Conn. They went home at midnight and will always remember their pleasant hours at the anniversary. A silver wedding is seldom celebrated by the mutes. We wish the couple happiness and prosperity in life.

FIFTH ANNUAL

AFTERNOON AND EVENING PICNIC

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JACOB SWARTZ, ALEX. BATAILLEY.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA.

DEAR JOURNAL:—Vacation is already four days old, and the Institution deserted and lonesome, Dr. and Mrs. Brown, the matrons and Mr. Allabough constituting the family. Three pupils remain, two for a fortnight and the third for the summer.

Miss Wright has severed her connection with the faculty, and all the teachers except Messrs. Teegarden, Stewart, Balis and Miss Shrom, have wended their several ways east, west and north for a good long "outing."

Our "Closing Day" was a rainy one, nevertheless the chapel was packed, and many were unable to obtain standing room.

For a synopsis of the exercises, I send you a clipping from the Pittsburg *Times* about the best account published in any of the dailies here.

Notwithstanding the very unpropitious weather yesterday, the closing exercises of the Western Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, at Edgewood, was largely attended. The parents, guardians and friends of the pupils of the Institution, its patrons, its venerable Board of Trustees and many others interested in the school, and those who attended from motives of curiosity, filled the chapel, and many were unable to gain admittance. The stage was tastefully decorated with flowers and tropical plants, and specimens of the handiwork of the pupils were displayed on the stage and throughout the building. The exercises, of course, were all in the sign-language, and the grace and ease of movement, the accuracy and intelligence displayed in pantomime, indicated that there is a sweetness and eloquence in sign that is the equivalent in many respects to the attractiveness of a modulated and well cultivated voice.

The first performance was the salutatory essay, "The Story of Deaf-Mute Education," read by Miss Agatha M. Tiegel. Prof. Roberts read aloud the essay written by Miss Tiegel, and the young lady interpreted it by sign-language to the audience. The next was a recitation in signs of the poem "Maud Muller," by Miss Ida C. Heim. This was a very pretty and graceful performance, and it is no wonder that the stern Judge fell in love with the sweet Maud if she raked the new mown hay half as gracefully as Miss Heim represented that well known rural scene yesterday.

To illustrate articulation and lip-reading, Millard Lupole recited the Twenty-third Psalm. This is one of the most difficult arts to teach a mute. It is a slow, tedious process, and when it is learned the pupil talks in a mechanical and harsh way. As he acts simply as an automaton the tones of his voice are as unmelodious as those of the phonograph. Millard Lupole and William J. Hays also gave an exhibition of the art of lip-reading, and the little Misses Annie Frichter, Bertha Spahr and Daniel Moran recited some Mother Goose Poetry to further illustrate the art. The recitation in sign, "The Seven Ages of Man," was one of the best performances of the afternoon. As Prof. Roberts read the selection, the following seven boys gave a pantomimic illustration of it; Willie Gallagher, John M. Rolshouse, Jas. C. Taylor, T. M. Patton, Adam Craig, Geo. Winch, Andrew Zeber.

The most laughable performance was the Monkey Churning, given in pantomime, by Adam L. Hoffman. This was well performed, and any one could readily interpret it from the boys' motions and signs. The rest of the programme was of much interest.

Also, here follows a part of the *Dispatch* article on the same subject.

The story of "The House that Jack Built," with its rat, its dog, its maid and its cowboy's stolen kiss, was told by Little May Acor, Johnny Fisher, Timothy Gorman, Earnest Cowley, Geo. Martin, Walter Eckhardt, Sammy Nichols, and Robert Forst. Miss Pearl Weaver recited nicely in signs the selection "Drifting."

"The Creed" was recited in signs by the little Misses Maggie McBride, Sadie Griffis. Anna Fritscher, Bella Ninch, Bertha Shahn and Emma Blacksmith. Mr. John A. McIlvaine recited in signs the valedictory. He chose as his subject "Self Culture." Class exercises were conducted in language by Miss Marie P. Orr and Miss Phoebe Wright, and in arithmetic and history by Mr. L. Roberts. Rev. Dr. Brown presented the certificates, and the exercises were closed with a benediction.

AS SPECIAL REWARDS

to the monitors, copies of Wood's Natural History were presented by Rev. Dr. Brown to Messrs. George and Perry Winch, John Rolshouse, John Fritscher, Michael Gormley, Torrence Patton and James Pool. Master James Hubbsis, a boy who is the leader of in the wood carving department, and was, for his close attention to his studies and perfect attendance, presented with a book. Those who received certificates of discharge were Miss Mary Armstrong, Miss Agatha M. Tiegel and Messrs. Torrence Patton, James M. Taylor, John M. Miller, James G. Brown and George Michel.

The wood carving department is a new departure at the school, and is rapidly progressing under the care of Mr. Seidel, of Allegheny City. Among the carvers is a young lady named Miss Ida Lewis, who exhibits great aptitude for this and for modeling in clay. Two pieces of her work were on exhibition yesterday and really deserved much praise. An effort will made to have the young lady obtain a scholarship at the School of Design in this city.

There are now 150 scholars in the school, 56 girls and 94 boys; and the work in instructing them is progressing favorably.

A number of the members of the Board of Trustees and others interested in charitable work were present.

Mr. Walker, of the Philadelphia School, spent a day here last week, having come west with a company of pupils.

The prospects are bright for a more than usually jolly picnic here by the Pittsburgh deaf people. It is announced to be held at the old place, McKee's Grove, Wikinsburg, on the Fourth.

It seems to me it would be a good plan, in selecting the orator and alternate for the next National Convention, to have the Committee select, say five or six names for each office, and submit them to the members through the columns of the JOURNAL, and ask each member his or her choice of names to the editor or the secretary of the Association, or a sub-committee selected by the Board. Leave the choice open for six months or so, and then declare the most popular candidates, and notify them, leaving them four months to prepare for the occasion. Every Institution paper will repeat the list and invitation and the matter then become thoroughly known to all interested in time for a full vote to be polled. That is better than trusting to a committee's action; it is more representative and gives a greater expression of opinion and preference.

Not being a member, I do not know the powers conferred upon the Ex-Committee, wherewith this method I suggest may clash. But I give it for what it is worth.

QUIZ.

The betrothal of Miss Etta Theresa Bates Dudley of this city, to Mr. Wallace Holbrook Krause of Boston, is no longer a matter of privacy.—*Herald Northampton, Mass., July 5.*

NEW YORK.

The Gallaudet Home Excursion.

800 PRESENT-BUT A MOST ENJOYABLE DAY.

Scenes on the Long Branch and at the Grove.

TIGG'S COMPLIMENTS.

(From our New York Correspondent.)

Bright eyes, bewitching smiles, gay costumes, merry laughter and a blue sky overhead, greeted the early habitue on the dock at the foot of West 21st Street, on the morning of July 2d.

The former of these belonged to some of New York's, Jersey City's and round-about-towns' fascinating females, the majority of whom were deaf-mutes, and the latter, of course, belonged to the heavens.

Here and there among them were scattered young men in nobby summer suits, and at intervals were to be met more mature dames and fatherly looking men. The gay laughter and smiling countenances of pretty children put the shame any idea a person might hold, concerning the intermarriage of deaf-mutes, for were these not sober individuals, deaf-mute fathers and mothers, and was not the constant prattle of a dozen tongues coming from these youngsters that of their children.

Alongside of every other couple, might have been espied baskets, with covers on the verge of bursting from their fastenings, the best evidence of the good things they tried to conceal.

And this animated group were there awaiting the appearance of that stand old steamer, the Long Branch, which was to take them on the second excursion in aid of the Gallaudet Home.

They had not long to wait, for the keen eyes of a little four-year-old espied that famous excursion palace, turning her bow from her wharf in Hoboken, straight for the dock on which they were standing.

Policeman 2224 conjectured he was going to have a job of it handing over the gang plank this bevy of young ladies, but on the steamer being fastened to the dock, the blush left his cheek, as he found his aid was hardly necessary, for the Arrangement Committee, headed by "Whooper-Up" Hutton, had set about attending to this task.

Some three hundred enjoyed the sail down the North River, around the Battery, and up the East River to 23d Street, where another as interesting, as brightly smiling, as gayly dressed, and as noisy an assemblage were awaiting to get on board.

Five hundred or so was the number that here made their way over the gang plank, and the Long Branch giving a shrill shriek, as a warning to stragglers, cast loose her lines and headed her bow up the East River, *via* Isle de Blackwell.

This free boarding place for New York's light-fingered fraternity and others, who believe in taking the law into their own hands, most prominent among them at present being

> Ann O'Delia Diss De Bair,
> A dealer in what they call spooks,
> Who carrying her game a little too far,
> Is now a convicted crook,

was greeted with the first sounds of inspiring notes from Prof. Sause's musical manipulations, in the grand entree dedicated to the Gallaudet Home.

Thence on past Blackwell's Island, Randall's Island, the music kept up. As the first lanciers formed, Big Dan Ward looked scared, for there was that ominous sign, to be seen near Fort Schuyler, reading "Torpedoes, don't anchor." Just as if the Long Branch intended to anchor, but she didn't.

So on to the Sound, the dancing was going along nicely, the efforts of Assistant Floor Managers, Thos. F. Fox and J. F. O'Brien, and those of Chairman Alex L. Pach, and the Floor Committee in his charge helping bashful misses secure blushing partners, or if they were not to be had, making it half and half between the bashful young ladies.

Along the Sound glided the steamer, with a view to the west of the picturesque Westchester shore, and to the east of the as picturesque and great farm-producing Long Island shore.

Back of the forward deck, politely screened by a portion was the bar. Here old acquaintances met, discussed politics, the outlook of the coming Presidential campaign and other topics of the day, while the eyes of Caterer Patterson fairly danced with delight, as his assistants passed over to them Ballantine's best, or soda and sarsparilla that it took one bottle to make five bottles with. It was designated "Iced Soda and Sarsparilla," and did credit to its originator.

A few steps further back were arranged a side board, at which couples were testing the quality of the chief cook's coffee and other edibles, having forgotten to take their breakfast before leaving home.

Back of this on either side was the big furnaces of the steamer, that kept the ponderous wheels revolving with such promptness. Between them was the forward grand stairway with its highly polished brass ornaments, heading to the saloon and the forward deck. Those in the saloon were few and far between, but those who were there were using its secrecy to tell some long kept secret, or some confiding story they had been specially requested to carry.

The doors leading out on the forward deck allowed a brisk breeze to blow through the whole saloon. Around the deck were seated staid matrons, enjoying the scenery, the cool breeze and the strains of music floating up from below. There were also here some of that highly-polished circle, belonging to "Mr. M. E. Allister's 400," who seemed afraid the dancing deck would shudder, should they condescend to make use of it.

There were also found mothers giving their little ones the best benefit of the invigorating breeze, and over all was a large awning that kept off the rays of the sun.

Through the saloon to the after upper deck were met a few confiding stragglers, and the after deck gave as good a breeze as the forward, wraps in the trip up being considered a luxury. Here too were assembled as diversified groups as were to be met with on the forward deck.

Then back into the saloon and down the after grand stairway to the after lower deck. To the rear of this, the ladies' saloon, to the right the basket room, filled with baskets and boxes, coats and wraps. To the left the committee room, wherein were the gentlemen who managed the excursion, watching with searching eyes the counting out of the receipts by Treasurer Frank B. Thompson. Chairman Hutton said, "I told you so!" which was re-echoed by Secretary Porter, A. Kohlmetz and Phil Tobin. They had done their best, and despite the date being so near the national holiday, July 4th, they will at the date hand over to the Home authorities about $100 in hard cash.

The outside deck running around the ladies' saloon was monopolized by ball talkers, and others of the young idea, who believe the New York Giants can knock spots out of the Chicago's or any aggregation of ball tossers.

So between the cooling breeze, the beginning of newly-made conquests, the tripping of the light fantastic, the fine strains of music, the lullabys of mothers, the watchful care of fathers, and the dignified looks of "Mr. McAllister's Coterie," the steamer wended her way until near 1 P.M. Cold Spring Grove was sighted, the man in the basket room was on his mettle, the deck hands looked to their hawsers and safety, and Capt. Francisco gave two bells to stop, one to go forward, then two to go back, and with a little more manipulating got the Long Branch alongside of the wharf.

There was a scramble for the best table. It was unnecessary. No better tables could be needed, no better grove either. Cold Spring Grove bore its name well. A delightful excursion resort. Lunch occupied three-quarters of an hour, and that anybody went hungry, was only a fault of their own.

The row-boats were well-patronized, so were the swings, so the merry go-rounds, so the ball grounds, in which a deaf-mute young lady, Miss Changnon, distinguished herelf by playing ball as good as the best of them.

Then a call was made, a large group formed, and Photographer Douglas' camera telescoped the majority of the excursionists in a picturesque group on a sloping greensward.

A bicycle hove in sight, a young man in dark blue trousers, light colored stockings, and light shirt and cap to match, was on it. All followed him to the dancing platform, where he went through a variety of tricks on his silent steed. He was John M. Stout.

Later on, it was go-as-you-please enjoy yourself, until near 4 P.M., the whistle from the Long Branch gave the signal "time was up," and its decks were again sought.

The last landing was reached before nightfall, and so ended the second excursion in aid of the Gallaudet Home. A complete success, every body, but a very small and disgruntled few, happy, and a longing that it will not be the last.

TIGG'S COMPLIMENTS

To committee for the enjoyable excursion it proved to be, all odds given them.

Chairman Hutton, in his Stanley Hat, and flowing beard, and the way he whooped-er-up. Mrs. Emily Keilt was awarded enough attention as not to be forgotten.

Treasurer Frank Thompson, with his travelling bag. It would have held more, but the date. However a broad smile illumined the countenance of the chief of the exchequer, and to be sure, he was happy.

Secretary Porter. Heavy brain work failed to lessen his good looks and his gallantry to Miss Frankie Hawkins in a neglige sailor costume. A little nonsense now and then is relished by the best of men.

Committeeman Kohlmetz. He will be envied by his St. Louis friends. He did a big business in taking in some $35 on the morning of the excursion, Failing to hit the bull's eye he "set 'em up" for the boys.

Phil Tobin—would you be surprised at the favorite of Brooklyn's "Board of Aldermen." His work at the gang plank shown him as efficient as he is at the door of the "Board's" chamber.

Then Big Dan Ward. The wind blew through his whiskers when he saw that sign. But this did not prevent his attending to his duties in keeping the young folks lively, and rowing Mrs. Ward in the "Nancy Lee."

And Tom Fox. If a couple did not care to dance, he brought out logic, and made them change their minds. More than one young lady owes the company of the blushing man that took her home to the Professor's "Don't you see."

Also assistant John F. O'Brien. He saved his hat this time, and can be seen still wearing it. After securing side partners for other couples, he paid his regards to Miss Caddie B. Felver.

And Chairman of the Floor Committee, Alex. L. Pach. No one failed to dance that came to him for a partner. Looking his best in a nobby suit of blue, he sought the upper deck between dances to pay attentions to Miss J. Stewart, from Newark.

His assistant, Anthony Capelli, talked Hoboken to Miss Davenport.

While Miss Kate Harth held the attentions of James P. Donohue, and T. I Lounsbury held those of Miss Maggie Bothner between the lanciers.

"Uncle" Jim O'Neil wore his badge with calm serenity, according his niece Miss M. O'Neil. His only regret was, that it was red instead of green—Whitehall, N. Y., had him next day.

And "Jim" Donnelly. His heir-apparent occupied a good part of the excursion. Mrs. J. F. Donnelly enjoyed the pleasant sail, and some of the dances. Mrs. Donnelly, Sr., and Miss Kate Donnelly were also present.

And "Big" Jim Mahoney, in white tie and patent leathers, he fairly bristled with attentions to Miss Emma Long, and once or twice danced a quadrille.

Chas. Schindler with his wife enjoyed the cooling breeze at the grove, carrying home as mementos over a pocketful of pebbles.

Chas. E. Green impressed folks of his ability to hear, escorting Misses Alice and Kate Taylor. With them were the Misses Koch.

And ye Fanwood diamond Jimmy Lonergan, danced once, twice and thrice times that with petite and modest Miss Daisy Hollister, one of the prettiest and gracefulest young ladies present.

"Viscount" W. H. Rose, in light overcoat, blue and white lawn tennis shirt, looked stunning under a straw hat with a deep black band. Miss Lillie Price thought so as they wended their way to and from the excursion. Miss Alice Hatch and Miss Price's sister, in pretty dark blue lawn tennis costumes, also made up the party, to keep them company.

I. N. Soper, chairmaned the Reception Committee, and after duty sang with Miss Brinck and sister, the inspiring strains of "In the sweet by-and-bye."

His assistants were E. Souweine, A. A. Barnes, Adolph Pfeiffer, Sam. Frankenheim, Alex. Dezendorf, Fred Peak, Jacob Alexander, Fred Meinken, James Stratton, H. L. Juhring, A. L. Thomas, S. M. Brown, R. M. Stevenson, W. F. Durian, H. Stengle, Thos. Godfrey, John Wilkinson, W. H. Fosmire, Chas. Jastram, Walter McDougal, T. Brown and H. E. Eschert, who reflected credit on themselves in the way they did the duties required of them.

There were from the New York Institution, Misses P. Lewis, Jennie Williams, Ella Taylor, Martha Hasty, Mabel Fish, and a large party of other pupils on their vacation.

The Misses Ida, Tillie and Alice Hericht, enjoyed themselves dancing to and from the grove. With them were Mrs. Hericht and sister, and one or two other ladies.

Mr. and Mrs. Heyman entertained Miss McKinney, the only Philadelphian present. With them was also Mrs. Frank Roberts.

Rev. Mr. Chamberlain was present, and enjoyed the sail and the fine grove in a quiet way, having a pleasant word for everybody.

And Editor Hodgson also enjoyed the sail and grove in like manner. He did not fail to dance once or twice, which shows he has not passed the dancing age yet.

The dazzling group of gay old bachelors, Messrs. Upham, McClellan, Waters, Ballin, Schneider, and one or two others made conquests through the day, but still they remain whole and fancy free.

There was from Indiana Mr. S. J. Vail and his daughter, Miss Ellen Vail. The latter captured the attention of many of the young gallants, but principally that of Artist Tresch. Mr. Vail seemed greatly pleased with the novelty, and wondered at the size of the Long Branch and the number of excursionists.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Eitzgerald represented the couple from Dr. Harvey P. Peet's school. Mrs. Fitzgerald was the centre of a group, consisting of Miss Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Halsey, of New Jersey, and a few others. Mr. Fitzgerald discussed the Custom House question with Tom Godfrey, President Juhring and several others.

Mrs. Juhring, Mrs. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Stenegle, Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson, late of Philadelphia, were others from over the bridge—as were also Mr. and Mrs. John Wilkinson and baby.

Prof. and Mrs. Mann were with the New York Institution group. The latter once in a while leaving the company to discuss such topics as led to the bringing up of the great four-hour go-as-you-please race he won six or seven years ago.

Miss Sadie N. Keeler, of articulation fame, with her sister, Miss Rose Keeler made their presence felt, and enjoyed themselves with several of their pupils.

From Newark, there were the Misses Finn and Mrs. Kinney, as also the Misses Bousfield, Housel, Bunder and a score or so of young gallants.

John Lloyd, Jr., danced till he was tired. Mrs. Lloyd danced several times also. With Daisy Finn and several others, they were photographed on tin at the grove.

What names may have been omitted that enjoyed the excursion would be difficult to insert here. Don't you think we have given you enough.

MONTAGUE TIGG.

BOSTON.

First Annual Union Picnic.

GRAND SUCCESS PREDICTED.

Cupid Wins.

ESCAPING THE HEAT.

(From our Boston Correspondent.)

The Deaf-Mutes of Boston will hold their First Annual Union Picnic in Centennial Grove, Tuesday, July 24th. The Committee of Arrangements have endeavored to make such arrangements for the enjoyment of all as will meet the approval of those attending and have made the following programme,

Base Ball	from	10:00 to 11:00
100 Yds Foot Race,	"	11:00 " 11:15
Three-legged Race (100 yds)		11:15 " 11:30
Photographing,	from	11:30 " 12:00
Lunch,	"	12:00 " 1:00
Potato Race,	"	1:00 " 1:15
Tug-of-War,	"	1:15 " 2:15
Foot Ball,	"	3:00 " 4:00
Dancing, (music furnished)	from	4:00 " 6:30

Egg Race for Ladies will be added to the list.

Tickets good for the round trip and admission to the Grove can be had of any of the committee.

John J. McNeil, Manager; James Farley, Treasurer; Edwin W. Frisbee, A. C. Hargrave, John Magee, Robert Dockharty, John S Kenney, James Powers and Geo. C. Sawyer are the Committee of Arrangements.

From Boston, $1.00; from Lynn, 85 cents; from Salem, 75 cents. Children under twelve years of age from Boston, 60 cents; from Lynn and Salem, 50 cents.

Arrangements have been made for a special train, it will leave Causeway Street Station (Boston & Maine R. R., Eastern Division), at 8:00 A.M., arriving at Lynn, 8:25 and at Salem, 8:35. These will be the only stops the train will make. The train will arrive at the grove at 9 A.M. The grove has a nice lake, and there will be an opportunity for all to select their enjoyment athletic or aquatic sports. Those who desire to treat their wives, as they did their sweethearts forty or fifty years ago, will have an opportunity, as refreshments will be for sale on the grounds. The committee have laid themselves out, and are to have a royal, good, old-fashioned time. About 150 tickets have been distributed already. Don't forget the time and place.

Mr. Samuel Cross's brother is doing a large shoe business in Winsted, Ct., and has offered Samuel a position in his shop, which he has accepted. He intends to leave in a month or two with his wife. He is popular in Beverly, and will be much missed. Good luck to Sammy and Mrs. Cross.

The friends of Mrs. Lockwood surprised her on Wednesday evening, June 20th, at Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Wise's residence. She was busily sewing in the sitting-room, ignorant of all what was going on in the parlor. When nearly all the guests arrived and seated, Mrs. Wise rushed into the sitting-room, telling Mrs. Lockwood that there was a big fire and told her to see it. So she went, and instead of the fire, she saw her friends surrounding her, and attempted to return out of the room, as she had on her every day dress. She was coaxed to come back to the parlor, in spite of her dress. Besides this surprise, her particular friend was present, making a very pleasant feature of the evening, and a nice repast was provided by the ladies and ice cream was furnished. She received some pretty gifts from her friends. Messrs. Duran and Keating appropriately presented her a handsome red satin parasol (Harvard's favorite color). The gifts were a silver watch-charm, a pair of gold bracelets, etc. She was greatly delighted with them.

Mrs. Goldsmith is making a two weeks' visit to Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph in South Weymouth. During her absence, Mr. Goldsmith will play the role of a grass widower.

Mrs. Rhoda Barnard left for Fort Henry, N. Y., to visit her brother, whom she had not met for twenty years, and perhaps will stay a month, and then start for Brooklyn, N. Y., to pass the rest of the season with her eldest daughter. She may not return till Fall.

Mr. W. H. Krause's friends will be pleased to learn of the happy relationship he is about to assume. He will be married in the Fall to a semi-mute lady, living out of town.

Mr. James H. Cloud, who belongs in Jacksonville, Ill., has been in Boston and its neighboring towns for a few weeks. Most of the time he has been studying the proper and better points of practicing gymnastics at the Harvard, as his chief object is to learn from the Harvard gymnasium and show the pupils of the Jacksonville (Ill.) School how to exercise. He is an intructor in the department of Physical Culture at the State School for the Deaf. He graduated from the College in Washington with the degree of Bachelor of Arts.

Mrs. Frank Bigelow and her little girl went to Portland a week ago last Thursday, to spend a weeks with her married sister. From thence, she will go to St. Johnsburgh, Vt., the home of her parents. She expects to be present at the New England Gallaudet Convention in Bellows Falls.

The birthday of Mrs. William Swett, of Beverly, was celebrated by a surprise party, who went there in the eve of July 3d, and the presentation of a beautiful silver tea-service. It was a very pleasant reminder of their esteem and friendship, and the welcome presence of the donors added no little to the value of the gift or the interest attending its presentation.

The East Boston *Press* says: "Even in this hot weather, it is a pleasure to walk up on Lexington Street and look at the display of flowers in front of Mrs. Geo. Hargrave's house. Nothing prettier in the way of blossoms can be seen in East Boston."

Mr. Fred. Stover, of Malden, who has been enjoying the cool breezes of the Maine coast for the past three weeks, will return home day before the coming picnic, and will participate in the athletic sports. MAYFLOWER.

Indiana.

WEDDING BELLS—THE LOWE-GIRARD NUPTIALS—QUIET BUT BRILLIANT.

The event of the past week in upper deaf-mute circles was the Lowe-Girard nuptials, at the residence of Mrs. Eliza Lowe, 124 Broadway, Indianapolis, at eight o'clock, P.M., Tuesday, July 3d, 1888. Rev. J. A. Roundthaler, of the Tabernacle Presbyterian Church, officiating. The bride, Miss E. Bella Lowe, the only daughter of Mrs. Eliza Lowe, never looked more beautiful than on this occasion, attired in a costume of white organdie, with embroidered trimmings, and a cluster of Marechal Neil roses, her only ornaments diamonds. The groom, Mr. Reuben Girard, formerly of Detroit, but now of this city, was handsome in the regulation attire. After the ceremony proper had been pronounced, the assembled guests were served with refreshments by Nickum, the well-known Christian Avenue caterer. The viands were inkeeping with everything else connected with the occasion. The toilets displayed by the ladies were exceedingly rich and handsome. By the marriage of Miss Lowe, the Primary Department of the Indiana Institution loses a most efficient teacher, but its loss is Mr. Girard's gain. The thousand and one friends of Bella are joining in a prolonged "Joy be with you."

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Baker, Misses Minnie and Florence Wells, Mr. Charles Jackson, Dr. and Mrs. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Schoolbridge, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lowe, Mrs. Mollie Lowe, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Higgins, Miss Allie M. Robinson, Dr. and Mrs. Hoover, Mr. Jno. Haverstick, and Miss Katie Stein, Indianapolis; Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Darnall, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Cobb, Lebannon; Prof. E. A. Robertson, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Winters, East Germantown; Miss Alfa Robertson, Utica, Indiana; Mr. Jno. Lowe, Thorntown, Indiana.

The following is a list of presents displayed: Picture—Melrose Abbey, Mr. and Mrs. Schoolbridge; Imported Dresden China vase, Mr. N. Field Morrow; half dozen damask linen towels and napkins, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Burt; glass water set, Misses Florence and Minnie Wells; panel pictures (pastille) Daybreak and Sunset, Miss Alfa Robertson; willow rocker, Mr. Charles Jackson; one dozen French dinner glasses, Miss Mollie Lowe; berry dish, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Higgins; cigar holder, Mr. Jno. Lowe; ornamental bracket, Mr. Haverstick; berry dish (set in silver) and spoon, Mr. and Mrs. Winters; hanging photograph-holder, Miss Allie Robinson; tidy, Mrs. Dugan; copy of J. W. Riley's "Afterwhiles," Mr. and Mrs. Taylor; silver butter-dish, Mr. and Mrs. Darnall; silver card-receiver, Mr. and Mrs. Cobb; silver cake stand, Mr. and Mrs. Baker; half dozen silver fruit knives, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart; boquet Magnolia blossoms from Riverview plantation, Ky., Miss Lizzie Jack; Mahogany clock, Dr. and Mrs. Stocker; glass sugar bowl, cream pitcher and spoon-holder, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lowe; Bohemian urns, Miss Anna Kurtz; picture through Mrs. Hoover; bouquet (design pyramid) Mrs. Renchild. Several other presents were displayed, but having no cards attached, and lack of time and space forbids mention. The happy couple will proceed to housekeeping at once in a neat cottage on Brookside Avenue.

ENID OGDEN.

INDIANAPOLIS, July 4, 1888.

FROM KANSAS.

Master Logan Noah, of Beloit, was the guest of Miss Florence Evans, July 1st. A very small boy of this place is anxious to know what relationship Logan bears to the family of the Ark.

During the past few days the home of Miss Evans has been the scene of more mirth and pleasure than it has ever been our lot to see crowded into so short a space of time before. Quite an assembly of mutes were gathered for the purpose of celebrating together the glorious 4th of July, and all we have to regret is that some of the invited guests for various reasons were unable to appear. Among those present were Miss Yates, of Glen Elder; Miss Izora Mann, of Beloit; Mr. Robert P. Connelly, of Jewell City; Mr. W. Butler, of Solomon, and Misses Laura and Emma Duffy, of Delphos. Miss Yates is just from school,—next year completes her course. Miss Mann is living at home with her mother. Mr. Connelly is farming and keeping bach. Frank seems to enjoy making pancake. Mr. Butler is recently from Colorado. Laura Duffy finds it pleasant and profitable employment to teach her little sister Emma, who expects to attend school soon. KANSAS GIRL.

DELPHOS, KAN., July 6, '88.

The Lowell Silent Society Picnic

The Lowell Silent Society held its annual picnic at Seaver's Grove, Tewksbury. About fifty mutes were in waiting at the Boston and Maine depot, to be conveyed to the grove in Conroy's barges. A little before 2 P.M., the barges left the depot, and the drive was very pleasant. As we passed the Bleachery, magnificent trees on both sides of the road overhanging the barges, thus shading us from old Sol's burning rays. The rain in the morning, however, lessened the dusty roads. As soon as we reached the grove, the party immediately stepped out, some in pursuit of games and other amusements, others to prepare refreshments for the hungry picnicers. Some of the gallant cavaliers invited the ladies to partake in a game of baseball. Mrs. G. D. Abbot, Mrs. Hardy P. Chapman and Miss Mahonan responded, and to the surprise of all, they proved excellent batswomen, hitting the ball over the players' heads, thus winning many runs, eliciting much applause from the gazers-on. After that the boys left the grove and went over the field, where a game of ball was played by the Boston *vs.* Lowell, which resulted in a victory for the former, by a score of 8 to 6. Then they were summoned to the festive board, whereon there was spread delicious and tempting eatables of the very best kind, including ice cream and lemonade. But as they were ready to sit down, drops of rain began, when they hurriedly siezed every thing and conveyed them to the barges. Soon, loud claps of thunder, with vivid lightning, came in all its ferocity, accompanied by heavy rain and hail, which lasted for twenty minutes. Two of the ladies, who were crowded out of one of the barges, sought shelter under it, owing to the ungallant selfishness of the few "stern sex." They were espied by one of the committee and ordered in, when the boys were requested to make room for the ladies. The two committee and one of the aids were pretty badly soaked to the bones in their efforts to contribute to the comfort of the ladies. Chairman O'Neil made some sharp remarks on selfishness, which won for him the approval of the sensible mutes. Gentlemen should care for ladies rather than themselves.

It was a sight never to be forgotten. It was grand, sublime. The winds were blowing with fearful velocity. Words fail to portray the scene. When the artillery of the heavens had subsided, it was found that the grounds were too wet to walk about, so we decided to have our refreshments in a large barn near by. In a few minutes we left the pleasant grove, much to our regret. Upon arrival, we soon discovered that the barn was not fitted for that purpose. After a hasty consultation, it beginning to be near 7 P.M., the committee decided that all should returned to Lowell and continued our picnic in the Society's rooms. So preparations were made for our homeward journey. As we were "wheeling" along, indications of another shower in the distance urged the horses on with greater speed, till we halted in front of Barrister's Hall, in half an hour from the time we left the barn near the grove. Just as soon as all had entered the rooms, angry clouds were seen floating along rapidly, followed by fearful thunder lightning and rain in torrents. We were thankful to be back in time, well and sound, and in high spirits. The time was profitably spent. All acknowleged the wisdom of the committee in selecting Seavers Grove for our picnic. It was the opinion of few mutes superior to Willow Dale. Every body enjoyed themselves hugely. Though the committee were disappointed at the shortness of the time spent at the grove, they were highly gratified at the *financial success* of the social affair. It was a greater success than was made at Willow Dale last year. As soon as the refreshment were ready, the "come back to Lowell picnickers" made themselves at home, were waited upon by the committee and the other "sweet ladies," whose presence added greatly to the enjoyments of all present. A great deal was said about the weather, and great sympathy was felt for the committee, as they had prepared some surprises for the evening ejoyment at the grove. Various amusements were indulged in. Great credit is due to the committee for the unsurpassed skill in which they managed the picnic, also particularly to the sweet "gentle sex" for their generous assistance to make the occasion a success. At a late hour, the party broke up and dispersed to their various homes, well pleased with the manner in which the picnic in the rooms was managed. The thanks of the committee are tendered to Mrs. C. W. Parsons, of Tewksbury, for the assistance she rendered them in various ways, and to Mr. Seavers for the use of his beautiful grove.

Mrs. Hardy P. Chapman was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Abbott for the past few days. Her husband was not able to be present at the picnic, much to the regret of all. His brother, Harry, however, represented him.

Several persons out of town were at the picnic.

Mr. Geo. S. Tripp never forgets Lowell. He was at the picnic.

Chairman O'Neill was seen working away his strength on ice cream. His Napoleonic moustache makes him very prominent among the mutes.

Miss French and Miss Mayberry busied themselves in making every body happy, while Mrs. Abott caused many sideaches with roars of laughter by her witty stories.

Mr. Nelson, who was "special police," was watching for some ruffianly person, but was happily disappointed.

Mrs. Wright, who is a *non-member*, was the only person present, while others, out of silly personal spite refused to be present. She won for herself the respect of all the members.

Joe W. Soper made himself a hero by firing off blank cartridges.

For want of space, your correspondent regrets omitting many other names. Sufficient to say the picnic was *par-excellence* and *an immense success.*

We hope to supply the JOURNAL with interesting items hereafter, now that "Roscoe" has left us. We hear he will soon make New York his future abode.

President Mayberry says he never was so happy in his life when he found the picnic was a success. ROVER.

LOWELL, MASS., July 2, '88.

Connecticut.

Everybody is broken up now, and no wonder. Bridgeport has seen the liveliest two days in its history. From Tuesday afternoon till Thursday at three o'clock in the morning, the streets had been crowded with people, and the air had been filled with bursting shells, exploding fire crackers and fireworks, and the cheers of the multitude. The long programme prepared for the celebration was carried out without accident. Everything was a success. Many deaf-mutes from abroad were present and seemed happy, but worn out on their return home. The steamboat Rosedale leaving New York on Tuesday, brought about five deaf-mutes to Bridgeport. The names of the passengers were Mr. Terbush, of Danbury, Mr. Odell, of Portchester, N. Y., Mr. R. D. Livingstone, of New Haven, and two others who were excursionists to Cold Spring Grove, on Monday. The trains from Waterbury, New Haven, and other places carried many mutes. Mr. and Mrs. McCann gave a reception to all after the parade was over. Among those visitors were Mr. and Mrs. William Cook, of New Britain; George Axt, J. H. McCue, W. Bunnell, W. Synder, R. D. Livingstone, Mr. Hines and son, of Waterbury, and many others. The young couple received congratulations from them upon their recent marriage.

Mr. L. J. Leek and wife were guests of Mrs. J. W. Ford, of West Stratford for the day.

Mr. Terbush, of Danbury, kicked fearfully about the fabulous hotel price. He paid one dollar for a lodging in a second class hotel, and he was furnished a cot.

Mr. W. D. Munger came home from Worcester, to spend the holiday, but he was obliged to take the midnight train for Worcester. Before he left Bridgeport, he invited his three friends to his father's house at 10:30 in the morning, to take strawberries and cream and lemonade and cake.

John Muth, of East Bridgeport, did the best to entertain his friends and they went home happy. Their names were Messrs. O[illegible] ford, Odell, McCue, Axt and Snyder.

Miss Foley, with the assistance of her sister, Mrs. Colby, of New York, held a brilliant reception in Bristol last Friday evening, and refreshments were served. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Bowes and their beautiful daughter and son, of Chicago, Ill., Miss Dora Abell, of New York; Miss Maggie Derham, of Waterbury; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Saxe, and J. P. Marsh and wife, of Bristol; William Cook, of New Britain; Messrs. R. D. Livingstone, Colby, of New York, and several other young ladies. They talked way into the "wee, sma' hours." A late train took Messrs. Cook and Livingstone to New Britain.

Mrs. Charles Saxe and Miss Derham made a flying visit to Waterbury last Saturday. Mr. Saxe is away on a holiday tour for a week.

Miss Abell expects to return to New York to-day.

"Nemo's" article in the JOURNAL of June 14th, about Miss Derham's broken health, was a mistake. Her health has been much improved. She is a very charming little lady, full of dash and spirit.

A picnic for deaf-mutes occurred at Lake Compounce, near Bristol, on the Fourth of July, under the management of Messrs. J. P. Marshal and E. N. Bowes. It was decidedly a success. There was a good number of mutes from Hartford, Waterbury, and other places. Mr. and Mrs. Bowes return to Chicago in August. They will be greatly missed.

Miss Julia Smith, of New Britain, invited Mr. and Mrs. Fairman, of Hartford, and a young lady of New Britain, to spend the Fourth at her house, and she took them to a private picnic about three miles on the farm.

A service was held by Rev. Mr. Colt in St. Paul's Church, on June 21st. The congregation was large.

A proposed picnic on the Fourth, in Pawson Park, was abandoned on account of scarcity of mutes, but it will occur some other day.

Our Elm City population seems to be getting thin since Yale College closed, and the people have flown to the country, or seashore, or to Europe. One of our charming ladies has gone to Sag Harbor, L. I., to spend the summer—Miss Matilda Axt.

Mr. Washington Snyder returned home from Pennsylvania, where he attended the funeral of his grandfather recently.

Mr. Marshall, son of Mr. Abram Marshall, of Bridgeport, is in the city visiting friends.

Mr. W. Kelley and wife have gone to housekeeping on Dexwell Avenue, in this city.

Miss J. Burke, of the Institution at Fordham, N. Y., is now on her vacation here.

Miss Weiss, of the Hartford School, enjoys her vacation. NEMO.

Ontario Deaf-Mute Association.

A BRIEF SKETCH OF ITS ORIGIN AND PROGRESS—PRESIDENT S. T. GREENE AND HIS WORK—PROCEEDINGS AT THE REUNION.

The Deaf-Mute Association of Ontario, which was recently in session at the Provincial Institution, Belleville, was organized in 1866 with a membership of nearly one hundred. For some time, friends and instructors of the deaf in Canada saw the need of such an organization, as ex-pupils of the Institution, who graduated with a fair knowledge of the English language, and who took an interest in the affairs of life generally, seemed to become quite indifferent about their mental culture, and forgot much that they had been taught. This arose from their forced social isolation and consequent degeneracy in intellectual stimulus. With the object in view of removing, as far as possible, some of the impediments to deaf-mute progress after graduation, an association was formed, which would afford opportunities for meetings, discussions, and enquiry. The first meeting in Toronto two years ago, was highly successful and encouraging. There was a large attendance of mutes and their friends, and addresses were given by Superintendent Mathison, Hon. S. W. Ross, Minister of Education, President Greene and others. Essays were also read by several gentlemen interested in deaf-mute education, and the unanimous opinion was that the Association started under the most favorable auspices. Prof. S. T. Greene was elected President, and Mr. Wm. Nurse was chosen Secretary. Both are connected with the Ontario Institution, and both are active workers in the cause of deaf-mute education. President Greene was born in Maine, educated at Hartford Asylum, and graduated with the degree of B.A. from the National Deaf-Mute College at Washington. He is an intelligent mute, thoroughly drilled in deaf-mute instruction, a genial associate, and one of the most accomplished sign-makers on the continent. He was married in 1871 to a daughter of the late H. Howard, President of the Marine Bank, Buffalo, N. Y., and a niece of the late Hon. L. Walbridge, Chief Justice of Manitoba. He has a pleasant home in Belleville, and an interesting family of five children, none of whom are deaf, contribute to a life of domestic felicity. Mr. Nurse, the Secretary, is a semi-mute. He was educated in England, and is now the efficient foreman of the shoe-shop at the Institution. He, too, is familiar with all the peculiarities of the deaf, and is a general favorite with that class. Both are untiring in their efforts to benefit the deaf, and in this respect they are held in the highest esteem.

At the close of the first meeting, [illegible] with the sanction of [illegible] O'Keefe, of Walling- [illegible] the Association at Belleville for its next meeting. The invitation was thankfully and joyfully accepted, and the following synopsis of proceedings, as reported in the Belleville papers, indicate another successful meeting.

OPENING SESSION.

Precisely at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon, President Greene took the chair and called the convention to order. A spacious platform had been constructed in the eastern part of the girls' sitting-room, which is the most commodious, and best ventilated room in the Institution. With flowers, pictures, flags and other ornaments, the room was made attractive and convenient. When the officers ascended the dais they were agreeably surprised to see such a large, intelligent and respectable company present. About 150 persons were seated on semi-circular rows of chairs, among whom were visitors from the McKay Institute, Montreal, and other places. Prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Mihell, Prof. Coleman interpreting in signs.

Mr. D. Bayne moved, and Mr. A. W. Mason seconded, that the following be elected honorary members of the association:—Hon. A. S. Hardy, Prov. Sec.; Hon. G. W. Ross, Minister of Education; R. Christie, Inspector of Asylums, etc.; R. Mathison, Superintendent; A. Livingston, Bursar; J. B. Murphy, M.D.; D. R. Coleman. M.A.; J. H. Brown and Miss J. E. Robinson, Matron.

Superintendent Mathison was received with cheers when he arose to deliver the address of welcome. He was much pleased to meet so many of of the mutes of Ontario, among whom he recognised several ex-pupils of the Institution. The President had given him credit for doing something for the mutes, but he wanted them to give the credit to whom it was due—to the Government of the Province. He confessed that at first he was somewhat doubtful of the success of the convention, but now all doubts were removed, and he felt sure of success. The presence of those who graduated from the Institution years ago recalled the events that had transpired since he filled the position of superintendent. He was proud of his pupils, and of the deaf of Ontario generally. He found them industrious, sober, and moral citizens, occupying good positions in society. There were several comely lasses and manly lads present, and perhaps this meeting would result in matrimonial alliances being formed. If so, he would have a dominie on hand to tie the knot according to the laws of the country. On behalf of the Government he welcomed them to the Institution, and hoped they would have a good time every way.

President Greene then gave his address, which covered a number of pertinent subjects. He expressed the pleasure he felt in meeting so many friends and especially within the walls of their Alma Mater, where the young ideas of many of them were taught "how to shoot." They had met for intellectual, moral and social improvements, and he hoped all would realize fully the benefits of such a meeting. He knew the circumstances under which the deaf labor with so much inconvenience, and these meetings were intended to lighten their burdens. The growth and development of the Association since its organization two years ago gave him special delight. He predicted still greater success in the future, and advised all to feel that some responsibility rested upon them, and that they must help to carry on the work so auspiciously begun. Visitors from other provinces were welcomed to the Convention, and thanks extended for the interest they had shown by coming so far to attend the meetings. The labors of Superintendent Mathison were eulogised and hearty thanks given for his thoughtful kindness. To him they owed much more than he could express. Reference was made to the death of G. W. Soper, a member of the Association, and a genial, intelligent friend, and a hope expressed that "in some bright day" they would meet him in a better land, where there is no parting.

By unanimous vote, the Convention delegated to the President power to select a committee for the nomination of officers, and he chose the following: Messrs. Nurse, Bayne, Slater, Duncan, and Mason, who were to report on Monday.

Prof. Coleman gave an interesting address, referring particularly to his experience as a teacher in the Institution for seventeen years.

Mr. McLelland, of the McKay Institution at Montreal, was called to the platform, and gave a short address, acknowledging the pleasure he felt in being present.

Addresses were also given by Messrs. Ashley, Nurse, aud McKillop, and at 5 P. M. the Convention adjourned.

SUNDAY'S SESSION

In the morning at 9 o'clock Rev. J. H. George, of John Street Presbyterian Church, conducted religious services. He spoke from John xii, 32, about the lifting up of our Saviour, and gave some wholesome advice to his audience. At 3 P.M. Rev. J. W. Burke, Rector of St. Thomas Church, was on hand to perform the ceremony of baptism for no less than four happy couples. The babies were all pretty and active, but a little restless under the heat and excitement. Mr. and Mrs. Mason, of Toronto, presented a fine boy and named him Lewis Nasmith. Mr. and Mrs. Riddell, of Toronto, had a lively little fellow and gave him the name of Herbert Beale Storey. Next came Mr. and Mrs. Keyser's Mills, with a bouncing girl baby that was christened Ida Emma. Mr. and Mrs. Bolduc, of Toronto, proudly presented another boy, and asked that he be named Francis Raymond. Some of the babies did not like the ceremony and protested as forcibly as their juvenile lungs would permit. Rev. Mr. Burke then delivered a very interesting address frym Matt. xiii. 3 to 8 verses, the parable of the sower being the subject. Prof. Coleman interpreted for the mutes, and his work was well performed.

MONDAY MORNING.

The morning session opened at 9:30 with a full attendance. During Saturday night and Sunday, additional delegates had arrived, making the number in attendance over 170. Prof. Coleman offered prayer. President Greene then read letters of regret from Hon. A. S. Hardy, Hon. G. W. Ross, R. Christie, Miss Julia A. Foley, of Philadelphia, and Messrs. Chamberlain, of Rome, N. Y., Davidson and Booth, of Philadelphia: Balis, of Wilkinsburg, Pa., Peak, of Portland, and Beale, of Toronto. The American friends were unable to attend on account of school duties. They expressed regrets, and hoped the future would enable them to visit the Institution here, of which they have heard so many favorable reports.

Mr. R. C. Slater, of Toronto, read a short, practical essay on "Trades Unions," setting forth the aims of such organizations, and recommending mutes living in cities to become members of such unions. A spirited discussion esued, in which Messrs. Nurse, Bolduc, Jefferson, Rhodes, Fraser, and Howe, took part pro and con. The president expressed his faith in one kind of union—the matrimonial, but had some doubts of utility of others, so far as mute artisans are concerned.

Mr J. H. Brown followed with an admirable essay on "Hygiene."

"Workingman and his prospects," was the title of a valuable essay by Mr. Wm. Nurse, foreman of the shoe-shop at the Institution. Mr. Nurse is a thorough workingman himself, and he dealt with the different phases of the subjects in a practical manner, that frequently elicited applause from his audience and especially from those who had been taught by him how to make boots and shoes. Mutes were advised not to fear competition with hearing workmen, but to make themselves the peers of any, and so be able to demand equal rights.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The President offered prayer. Mr. F. Jefferson, of Toronto, an English mute of intelligence and experience, gave an essay on "The duties of deaf-mutes on leaving school."

An intermission of half an hour ensued, during which Mr. Mason photographed the convention in front of the Institution. An essay on "The friendship of the deaf and dumb," by Miss Bull, a teacher in the Institution, was given by Mr. McKillop. It was the hand of friendship that brought them together there. A few intimate friends are best, and when true friends are found care should be taken to retain them. Fixed principles of virtue and self-respect are necessary to true friendships. The deaf are apt to misunderstand and magnify trifles. To live honest lives and good should be the chief object of all. To be friendly to those who cannot recompense us, is a sacred injunction.

Mr. A. W. Mason, an artist of repute, and former pupil of the Institution, read a good paper on "Art," which was well received by the convention.

"The Charge of the Light Brigade," was given in dramatic style by Prof. Greene. A practical essay on "Dairying" was read by Mr. D. Bayne of Carlton Co. a former pupil of the Institution, and now a successful dairyman.

Prof. Denys, of the Institution, followed with some excellent advice about "how to succeed in life."

This concluded the afternoon programme. A number of visitors being present from the city, they were invited to address the Convention. The requests were kindly complied with by Rev. Messrs. Learoyd, Bogart, and Daw, and Messrs. Nasmith, of Toronto, Wm. and J. W. Johnson, Belleville. This was a rare treat for the mutes, the remarks of all being applicable to the occasion, and plainly interpreted by Prof. Coleman.

EVENING SESSION.

The Committee on nominations recommenced the re-election of the old officers, and this recommandment was ratified by the Convention. They are:—S. T. Greene, President; R. C, Slater, 1st Vice President; P. Fraser, 2d Vice president; Wm. Nurse, Secretary; S. B. Ashley, Treasurer; A. R. Coleman, Interpreter, and A. J. McKillop, Usher.

A vote of thanks was unanimously given the Government of Ontario for kind and generous provisions made for the comfort and conveniences of the Association.

Some unfinished business was deferred until Tuesday morning, and the Convention adjourned at 10 P.M.

An excursion to Trenton and the Murrey Canal per Str. 'Quinte,' and a visit to the Agricultural Park in the afternoon to witness the ball match, completed a very successful and enjoyable reunion of the deaf-mutes of Ontario.

Mr. Bennet Explains.

MR. JOURNAL:—My daughter, Mary requested me to write for your accommodating paper to correct the reports in regard to Mr. Ersinger and herself. There is so much mixing of the reports invented about them which were picked up from the deaf-mutes of Newark by the reporters of the local papers, and they are apt to make errors. I must say that there is hardly a particle of truth in them. The circumstances which caused Mr. Ersinger's disappearance is only known to Mary, in part and too delicate for her to explain. But yet she can only say that Mr. Ersinger did not say where he was going, though he often expressed his wish to go to the west. I conjecture that his being continually out of work, by the strike of the Watch Case Engravers, had been discouraging him greatly, so he got lost in his mind. The reports about his financial matters are all defective. I think from what he intimated that he had no money in the bank. His sister-in-law, with whom he was boarding, said in her letter to Mary, that the local papers knew more about him than she did. The reports that Mr. Ersinger assisted her materially in getting her damages, for her accident on the rail road last year, and she became ungrateful and jilted him, are entirely false and absurd. The suit which Mary is bringing against the Rail Road Company for damages, is still pending, and should have come off on the 18th of last April, but had to be postponed till September 12th, on account of the crowded calendar. It is entirely in my management, with three lawyers' assistance, at my own expense. Mary is a strictly honorable girl—too much so to be ungrateful and has an acute sense of filial duty and also justice. She alone knows what sayings have been between her and Mr. Ersinger, but she can only say that she does not know where he is, and expresses her hope that nothing serious has happened to him.

JOHN BENNET.

ORANGE, N. J.

Mr. J. H. Lindsay, of Kernersville, N. C., who has been elected to succeed Dr. Loring Turner in the Deaf-Mute Department of the Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institution, reached here on Monday. He has disposed of his real property, in Kernersville, and resigned the position of postmaster, which he held at that place, but still has his paper, but will leave it in other hands to conduct, until a sale is effected. He is a trained teacher, and will make a popular and efficient officer. —*Staunton. Va., Valley Virginian, June 27.*

BROOKLYN SOCIETY OF DEAF-MUTES

The following named gentlemen will deliver lectures at the hall of the Brooklyn Society of Deaf-Mutes, 198 Grand Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Sept. 26th, - Mr. John Wilkinson.
Oct. 24th, - - - Mr. William G. Jones.
Dec. 26th, - - - Mr. John F. O'Brien.

The transaction of business by members, story-telling, debates and lectures, takes place each week alternately. Admission, ten cents on each occasion.

GEO. L. REYNOLDS, *Chairman*,
HENRY STENGELE,
SYLVANUS B. SMITH.
Committee on Lectures and Debates.

DIRECTORY.

For the convenience of the public, we publish in this column, IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER *a list of Societies, Clubs and Associations of Deaf-Mutes.*

BROOKLYN SOCIETY OF DEAF-MUTES.

The Brooklyn Society of Deaf-Mutes meets every Wednesday evening, at 7 o'clock, at Tuttle Hall, 198 Grand St., Brooklyn, N. Y. The officers of the Society are: Henry L. Juhring, Pres't; Jacob Swartz, First Vice.President; Alex Batailley, 2d Vice President; W. A. Bond, Secretary; Thos. Godfrey, Treasurer; Daniel Minihan, Sergeant-at-Arms. All communications should addressed to the Secretary, W. A. Bond, No. 158 Conselysa Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION.

This association is a branch of the Y. M. C. A., of San Francisco. President, Theodore Grady; Vice-President, Moses I. Aronson; Secretary, Wm. H. Winslow; Treasurer, Henry J. McCoy; Librarian, Frank B. Shattuck. Divine services first and third Sundays in each month, alternate at 11 A.M. Regular business meetings, first Thursday in each month. Address all communications to the Secretary, Wm. H. Winslow, 232 Sutter St., San Francisco, Cal.

CAPITAL CITY ASSOCIATION.

Meetings are held every Thurday evening at 7:30 p.m., in St. Paul's Parish house, entrance on Jay Street. Its officers are: President, W. G. Shanks; 1st Vice-President, C. F. Mull; 2d Vice-President, Philip Sharkey; Treasurer, C. H. Sparrow; Secretary, M. R. Palmer; Chairman of Committee, C. F. Mull. All business matters should be addressed to the Secretary, whose address is 253 Madison Avenue, Albany, N. Y. Its regular meetings for ladies and gentlemen, occur the second, third and last Thursday, while its business on the Thursday of each month.

CINCINNATI SOCIETY.

The Anderson Society dates its organization from 1879, and has for its object the mental and social improvement of its members. It holds meetings in Anderson Hall, No. 192 West 5th Street, on the first and third Saturdays of each month at 8 P.M. Visitors can be invited by members. The President is Ardine Rembeck, and Mr. Chas. Thomas, Secretary, No. 67 West Ninth St., Cincinntti, O.

CLERC LITERARY ASSOCIATION

The Clerc Literary Association, a branch of All Souls' Guild, meets every Thursday evening, at 8 P.M., in the lecture room of St. Stephen's Church, Tenth Street, above Chestnut Street. Lectures every Thursday evening except 2nd Thursday of each September, Thursday of December and March, and last Thursday of June, which are assigned for quarterly business meetings. Its object shall be the moral and intellectual improvement and social enjoyment of the members. Mr. W. Miles is President, Wm. G. Harrison, Secretary, 3409 Ludlow St., Philadelphia, Pa.

CHARITABLE RELIEF SOCIETY.

The purpose of the Society is principally of a social improvement, and to keep the needy in our class. The officers' special meeting holds every fortnight, and the members' meeting comes every month at Alpha Hall, No. 18 Essex Street, until further notice. The officers are as follows: President, Mrs. Frank C. Davis; Vice-President, Miss Bertha G Peterson; Secretary, Mrs. George A. Holmes; Treasurer, Mrs. Frank W. Bigelow; Executive Committee, Mrs. Wm. Lynde, Mrs. Rhoda Barnard, Mrs. Wm. Rudolph. For information and communication, address to the Secretary, Mrs. Geo A. Holmes, Rockland Street, Brighton, Mass.

DEAF-MUTES' UNION LEAGUE OF NEW YORK CITY.

This organization is one formed for the purpose of bringing into closer intercourse, the former students of the Institution for the Improved Instruction of Deaf-Mutes of the City of New York, and to disseminate such views as will tend to their welfare. It meets twice a month, and the President is Mr. Adolph Pfeiffer. Communications are to be addressed to the Secretary, Samuel Frankenheim, 531 Lexington Avenue, New York City.

DE L'EPEE CATHOLIC ASSOCIATION.

Meetings, the first and third Sunday of the month, in the building of the Deaf-Mutes' Mission, 710 Pine Street. The object of the Association is the spiritual and temporal welfare of its members. Edw. J. Carr is President. For information and communication, address to Mr. Wm. F. Fields, Secretary, 1229 Fulton Street, or to Rev. E. V. Lebreton, 710 Pine Street.

EASTON ASSOCIATION.

Meets every Thursday evening at 220 North Third Street, below Bushkill Street, at 7:30 P.M. Its object is of a diversfied character and covers a wide scope. Visitors always cordially welcomed. Elam Will, President, 208 Ferry Street; C. Delory, Vice-President; Samuel Price, Treasurer; Alex L. Pach, Secretary, Address, 220 North Third Street, Easton, Pa. Residence, United States Hotel.

GALLAUDET SOCIETY, OF BOSTON.

The Gallaudet Society for Deaf-Mutes (formerly the "Cambridge Society") holds services in the basement of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Cortes St., Boston, every Sunday, at 10:45 A.M. Rev. Dr. Gallaudet's clergymen appear on the first and third Sundays of each month. All are welcome. Literary exercises once a month. Lectures, social gatherings, etc., occasionally. The officers for 1888 are: E. W. Frisbee, President; Robert Dockharty, Vice-President; A. W. Orcutt, Secretary; E. Duran, Treasurer; and A. C. Hargrave, Librarian.

GRANITE STATE MISSION.

The Granite State Deaf-Mute Mission meets every year in different parts of New Hampshire, and elects its officers every other year. The object of the mission is to promote the moral welfare of the mute community in the State. The officers are as follows:—Willie E. White, President, Bennington; Willie A. Deering, Secretary, Pittsfield; Almos Smith, Treasurer, New Boston.

PAS-A-PAS CLUB, OF CHICAGO.

The Pas-a-Pas Club is an organization of Chicago Deaf-Mutes effected with the object of dispensing intellectual improvement and moral amusement to its members and their friends. Its motto is, Pas-a-Pas—"step by step." The officers are: C. C. Codman; President; J. K. Watson, Vice-President; J J. Kleinhans, Secretary; and C. L. Buchan, Treasurer. Secretary's address is 853 N. Clark St.

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ST. LOUIS DEAF-MUTE CLUB.

The St. Louis Deaf-Mute Club holds its meeting at 919 Olive Street, Room 12, 3d floor, in the Empire Building. Regular business meeting on the second Saturday in each month, for business only. The purposes of the club are principally of a social nature, but the literary advancements of St. Louis ladies and gentlemen will not be neglected. Lectures will be announced by the President from time to time, and all are welcomed on such occasions. Strangers in town are cordially invited to drop in at any time of the day, and make themselves at home. Officers: President, William Stafford; Vice-President, Marcus H. Kerr; Secretary, J. J. Smith; Treasurer, Louis Jacoby; Sergeant-at-Arms, Samuel Perlmutter; Trustees, George T. Dougherty and A. N. Merrell. Secretary's address is No. 901 Biddle Street.

ST. JOSEPH'S UNION, OF BROOKLYN, N.Y.

Meets every Tuesday evening at 21 Sidney Place, corner Livingstone St., Brooklyn. Object: mutual aid. All communications to be addressed to James P. Mahoney, 2020 Fulton Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

THE EPHPHATHA CLUB, OF BOSTON.

The Ephphatha Club was organized in October, 1886. Its object is to promote social relations of its members. Its annual meeting for the election of officers take place the first Monday of every January. Gentlemen can be admitted to the club as members at any time by applying to the Secretary. Visitors, outside of fifteen miles radius of Boston, can be admitted to the club room, at 18 Essex St., by applying to the President, or to any friend, who is a member. Its officers are as follows: President, Wallace H. Krause; Vice-President, Edward Duran; Secretary, George C. Sawyer; Treasurer, W. T. Carter; Librarian, James Hadley; Executive Committee, John J. McNeil, John Magee and Charles A. Douglas. Secretary's address is Ephphatha Club, 18 Essex St., Boston, Mass.

THE TROY LITERARY SOCIETY.

The society holds its meetings every Saturday evening at 7:30 P.M., in the Guild room of St. Paul's Church, cor. 3d and State Streets. Its regular meeting for ladies and gentlemen is every other Saturday evening. The object is the moral improvement of its members by lectures, debates and story telling. The officers of the society are William T. Collins, President; Chas. A. Smith, First Vice-President; Harrison Burt, Second Vice-President; James M. Witbeck, Secretary; James C. Ritter, Treasurer, and H. Brown, Sergeant-at-Arms. It also has a Bible Class at the Guild Room every Sunday at 3 o'clock P.M., under the leadership of its Chairman. All the deaf-mutes and strangers in town and its vicinity are invited to drop in at the Bible Class and regular meetings. The Secretary's address is H. C. Bascom's Shop, cor. River and Hoosic Streets, Troy, N. Y.

THE NEW ENGLAND GALLAUDET ASSOCIATION OF DEAF-MUTES.

The New England Gallaudet Association of Deaf-Mutes, named in honor of Thomas H. Gallaudet, is now officered by W. H. Weeks, of Hartford, Conn., President; F. W. Bigelow, of Chelsea, Mass., Vice-President; Geo. C. Sawyer, 183 Fort Hill Square, Boston, Mass., Secretary; Levi A. Lester, of Providence, R. I., Treasurer. State Managers: Charles Folsom, for Maine; William Bailey, for Massachusetts; Edwin H. French, for New Hampshire; J. T. Keefe, for Vermont; Henry M. Fairmann, for Connecticut, and John F. Donnelly, for Rhode Island. It is to meet in 1888.

THE NEW JERSEY LITERARY ASSOCIATION.

Meets every two weeks, Thursday evening, at 7:45 sharp, in the Rector Street Chapel, in Rector Street near Park Street. The officers of the Association are: President, John P. Cotter; 1st Vice-President, Peter Kinney; 2d Vice-President, John Ward; Treasurer, Wm. H. Caldicott; Secretary, Charles L. Jastram; Sergeant-at-Arms, Edgar Jastram. All communications should be addressed to the Secretary, Charles L. Jastram, No. 9 Ashland St., Newark, N. J.

THE SALEM SOCIETY.

The Salem Society of Deaf-Mutes is an unsectarian society, organized in Sept. 23, 1874, and occupies a whole building of four rooms, No. 2 rear of Mansfield Block. Divine services, every Sunday, and prayer meeting, every Friday evenings. The members are at liberty to use it at any time (day or evening) in the week for reading, etc. The officers of the Society for 1888 are Hardy P. Chapman, President; Mrs. Persis S. Bowden, Secretary; Henry A. Chapman, Treasurer; and Samuel Hamilton, and George Strout, Directors.

THE SICARD CATHOLIC ASSOCIATION.

The object of this Association is the spiritual and temporal welfare of its members. The members meet in the basement of the Cathredal, Washington Street, at 4 o'clock P.M., every Sunday. This Association, being a branch of the De l'Epee C. D. M. A., has the same rules, and gives the same advantages. All welcome. Communications shouldbe addressed to Mr. J. J. McNeil, President *pro tem*, Commercial Street, Dorchester, Mass.

THE BAY STATE CHRISTIAN MISSION.

This Mission is for the intellectual, moral, and religious welfare of deaf-mutes in those places where their numbers make it advisable; to encourage the formation of Union Societies, for the mutual benefit of all, in their respective localities; to interest all friends of humanity and Christianity in their behalf; to assist in giving extra services to such local Union Societies, which are in need of more services than they can maintain themselves; to offer an additional or extended help to any independent local society, with their co-operation; to strengthen the ties of Christian and ministerial brotherhood; and to discuss subjects pertaining to sacred ministry. The officers are E. W. Frisbee, President: Wm. Bailey, Treasurer; and A. C. Hargrave and H. P. Chapman, Executive Committee.

TOUSLEY SOCIETY OF DEAF-MUTES

The Tousley Society meets every Sunday at 10.30 A.M., at 70 East Seventh Street. Its object is to promote the moral welfare of the mute community. The officers are Matthew McCook, President; J. C. Austin, Vice-President; J. F. Riley, Secretary; Fred Brant, Treasurer. Business meetings or lectures and story telling, may be held on any week evening by a vote. Strange deaf-mutes of good habits in general are cordially invited to make themselves at home. The Secretary's address is 20 Fillimore Ave., West St. Paul, Minn.

THE KANSAS CITY DEAF-MUTE LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY.

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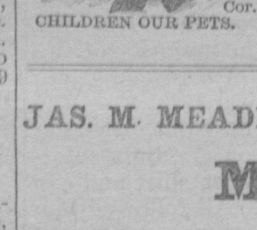

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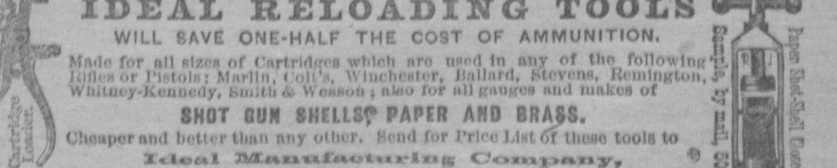

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